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Abolishing the Poll Tax.

The present Legislature will be called upon to act on the amendment to the Constitution, passed by the preceding body, abolishing the poll tax as a prerequisite to voting. It is almost certain that a majority of the voters of the two principal political parties in the State at present favor the adoption of this measure, whatever may be the tone of public opinion when the question shall come to a popular vote on its acceptance. We slander no one when we say that the prime motive on the part of those whom Gov. Russell represents, and whose wishes he expressed in his message, is to increase the vote of his party and at the same time reduce the cost of running the party machine. Perhaps a portion of those constituting a majority in the Legislature, representing the other party, are actuated by no higher motive.

But before this measure becomes a law, or at least contemporaneous with it, should come the full enfranchisement of women. Hundreds of our female citizens go every year, at much personal inconvenience, and ask to be taxed in order to vote for school committee. More than 100,000 female citizens of Massachusetts have petitioned our Legislature to be allowed to vote in municipal elections upon the payment of a poll tax, and have been refused. These ladies would vote with better judgment and higher motives than the tax defaulters. As wives, mothers, and widows, they have special rights to protect and special wrongs to remedy. They pay annually, in Boston alone, into the city treasury, more than \$1,000,000 of taxes.

By what strange force of prejudice are men misled, who would sooner debase the voting constituency by admitting a degraded population of men than elevate it by bringing in virtuous, intelligent, public-spirited women? Last season the Legislature refused to disfranchise even convicted male criminals. It is passing strange that Massachusetts should deliberately prefer as voters male tramps and scallagaws, the inmates of our penitentiaries and poor houses, to the class which includes seven-eighths of our teachers and three-fourths of our church members.

Ralph Waldo Emerson summed up the matter in a sentence when he said, 40 years ago: "It is very cheap wit that finds it so dull that a woman should vote." If the wants, the passions, the vices are allowed a full vote through the hands of a half-brutal, intemperate population, I think it but fair that the virtues, the aspirations, should be allowed a full voice as an offset, through the purest of the people."

Mr. C. A. Richardson, for a quarter of a century managing editor of the Congregationalist, did not long survive his late associate on that paper, Rev. Dr. Dexter, his death having occurred on Sunday, at Hotel Bellevue, where he has had a home since last April. For many years he resided in Chelsea, and was an influential member of the First Church in that city, serving as superintendent of its Sunday school a number of terms. Mr. Richardson had strong qualifications for his office as manager of a newspaper, was peculiarly genial and kindly in his manner, making friends as naturally as he breathed, and the success of the Congregationalist was due more largely to him than any one connected with it.

The February St. Nicholas makes a timely reference to St. Valentine's day, both in illustration and in reading matter, and much of the latter is peculiarly interesting as it relates to the mails. One of the continued stories is completed; Mr. Trowbridge carries his hero and associates through stirring scenes. The poetry of this number is unusually good, while the illustrations are all spirited and highly artistic. St. Nicholas is published by the Century Co., New York, and specimen copies will be furnished on application. It is the best young peoples' magazine in the country.

Australian Ballot for Towns.

The movement for the adoption of the Australian ballot system by the town of Arlington came to a sudden stop on Wednesday evening, when the Selectmen met to grant the warrant as asked for by the petitioners. Events of the past week or two have called special attention to the act of the previous legislature giving to towns the right to adopt the system of voting now in vogue in state and city elections, and it is now quite plain that the act is fatally defective in several important particulars, but mainly in that, while provision is made for increasing the number of officers to be chosen by ballot, it makes no specific provision for electing by this means any of the officers now chosen by ballot, leaving the meaning of the act open to doubt. Judge Parmenter, Judge Hardy, Representative Tuttle and Judge Ely all agree that until the act is amended so as to be specific in its directions, the only safe course to pursue is to continue in the old plan, and under these circumstances the Selectmen acted wisely in deciding not to grant a warrant.

Several towns that have accepted the act are now before the Legislature with petitions to correct this action. Arlington cannot afford to run any risk, because the officers next to be chosen will have charge of the refunding of the water debt, by which the interest charges to the town will be greatly reduced, and it is highly important that nothing affecting their legality should intervene by a questionable method of electing town officers.

It is very gratifying to know that this movement to give Arlington the benefit of the Australian ballot and to change the method of electing the principal officers so as to secure a partial permanence or a proportion of experienced officers in all the boards (as in the school committee and committees in charge of trusts), is entirely unpartisan in character, the change meeting the approval of prominent Democrats and Republicans alike. This is as it should be. Partisanship as it relates to State or National affairs, has no place in the selection of local officers, where there should be only one thought, and that to secure the best man for each office, regardless of his views on matters outside of our own local affairs. The advantage of the Australian ballot has been demonstrated in two State elections. We believe every citizen will hail with delight the advent of the same quiet, freedom from solicitation and opportunity to express individual preferences that will come to the town election with the adoption by the citizens of Arlington of the statute permitting towns to conduct elections on the same general plan when the idea finds proper expression in an amended law.

The business introduced in the Legislature on Wednesday sustains our opinion, expressed soon after the fall election, that the cause of temperance suffered a severe setback in that contest. The liquor forces believe themselves strong enough to wipe out the more restrictive features of the present license law, and they have set about it at once. We shall be greatly disappointed if the result does not show they have votes enough to accomplish nearly all repealing arranged in the programme.

The Somerville Citizen says truly and with force, that most communities don't half appreciate what a help a good local paper is in any neighborhood. If weekly papers were blotted from existence for a year and people had to run hither and thither to get the information they contain, each family using their own legs instead of the reporter's as now, they would have a higher appreciation of the work done by newspaper workers and of the importance of the weekly messenger of information.

The will of Capt. Joseph B. Thomas has been filed in the Suffolk County Probate office. It was made on April 19, 1887. His wife, Mrs. Martha T. Thomas, is to be paid \$100,000 outright and to have an annuity of \$10,000 for life. There is to be paid to each of his sons, Joseph B. and Washington B. Thomas, \$20,000, and they share with their mother in the benefits of the remainder of the estate, which is to be held in trust by Mrs. Thomas and both sons. There are no bequests to other persons.

On Wednesday Hon. O. H. Platt was chosen U. S. Senator by the Connecticut Legislature, assembled in joint convention. Mr. Platt is his own successor in office. The middle in regard to State officers still continues, the last year's officers holding over because of failure of an election by the people. An investigation is now being made of the vote by a committee of the House of Representatives.

The Democrats in the New York Legislature have nominated Gov. Hill for U. S. Senator, and as they have a working majority in joint convention, his election is assured.

The country isn't crying for an extra session of Congress this Spring, but there are indications that the politicians are not all averse to it, in fact they appear to be doing their level best to make one necessary.

The King of the Sandwich Islands died in San Francisco, on Tuesday of this week, from a complication of disease, aged 55 years. His sister Lydia, who is wife of Col. John O. Dominis, an Englishman, was named by the king as his successor, he being childless.

Hon. Henry B. Lovering, of Ly. U. S. Marshal and ex-Congressman, has been nominated for Warden of the State Prison by Gov. Russell, and Judge Lathrop to the vacancy in the Superior Court created by the death of Gen. Devens. The latter appointment meets with general approval.

The action of the British government in bringing one of the questions in dispute before the United States Supreme Court, may or may not prove a factor in the settlement of the Behring Sea matter; but it gives evidence of the confidence of a foreign nation in American fairness that cannot be other than flattering to our national pride.

Conductor L. C. Prescott, who runs two trains on the steam road, but mainly employed on Stoneham Branch, was presented this week with an elegant solid silver conductor's lantern by the patrons of his trains, and also a gold chain and charm, the latter being in the form of a punch and set with diamonds. Mr. Prescott may well be proud of this mark of respect and appreciation.

The venerable historian George Bancroft, died at his home in Washington, D. C., last Saturday, in his ninety-first year. His sickness was of brief duration, and death was due mainly to a general failure of vitality. During his life he enjoyed political and other honors, but the lasting monument to his fame will be his grand contributions to the historical works of the world. He was the oldest surviving graduate of Harvard College.

The greatest good for the greatest number is the mark aimed at by all reformers, and to reach it secures the greatest acclaim of fame that can be had. It is a good thing for the consumer, for the manufacturer, for the newspaper, when an article of merit is put upon the market, is made known by newspaper advertising, and, through a series of years, proves its worth to lessen labor in millions of homes, profits the newspapers, and gives its makers a fair living. Pearlina, the great washing powder manufactured by James Pyle & Sons, New York, has done all this. If it is not making labor easier in your home, it is your fault. Something of its history is made plain in an advertisement in another column.

The following letter, received a few days ago by the Boston Herald from a prominent advertiser, is of interest, showing as it does, what results the big and honest circulation of the Herald gives its patrons, as well as to the general axiom that advertising pays:—

NASHUA, N. H., Jan. 10, 1891.
Manager Boston Herald:
We are giving you the results of some test advertisements:
Dec 27, half page New York Evening Telegram brought 141 calls for pamphlets in one week.
Dec 28, half page New York Sunday World brought 806 calls for pamphlets in one week.
Dec 29, half page Boston Sunday Globe brought 62 calls for pamphlets in one week.
Dec 25, half page Boston Herald brought 1833 calls for pamphlets in one week.
Five hundred and forty-one letters from New York and West could not be traced.
To trust you will not raise the rates; but if you do, you will not leave us out. Very truly yours,
AERATED OXYGEN COMPOUND CO.,
C. S. COLLINS, M. D., Manager.

A friend in Washington writing in regard to the late discussion of the Silver Bill in Congress says:

"The House of Representatives displayed the right spirit when it voted to discharge the committee on rules from further consideration of the resolution authorizing an investigation of the silver pool charges, and to authorize an investigation of these charges by a select committee of the House. Now let this select committee leave no stone unturned to get at the bottom of this thing; if necessary put every member of the House on the stand, under oath, and compel them to say whether they have purchased or had given to them any silver bullion, or certificates or other script representing silver bullion, at any time since their election to the Fifty-first Congress. Then there are a number of brokers, known to have been the agents of syndicates speculating in silver, who might be made to say, under oath,

whether any Congressman was among their customers. The charges made are serious ones, and reflect upon the integrity of every man who voted for the silver bill of the last session, and nothing short of the most searching investigation will convince the country they are without foundation."

Mellin's Food is not the bulky indigestible product of the miller or baker, but is the result of skillful manipulation by careful and uniform chemical processes based upon scientific principles; it is a soluble dry powder, made from wheat and malted barley, and is the concentration of nourishing properties.

Marriages.

In Arlington, Jan. 14, by Rev. John W. Day, Mr. Ware B. Gay and Miss Emma E. Dunbar, both of Arlington.

Deaths.

In Lexington, Jan. 18, Robert V. Marshall, aged 56 years, 8 months, 11 days.
In Lexington, Jan. 17, John Morris, infant son of James and Ellen King, aged 1 year, 3 months, 14 days.
In Lexington, Jan. 18, Dr. Parker Kenison, aged 65 years, 3 months, 14 days.
In Arlington, Jan. 18, Sarah, daughter of James and Kate Irwin, aged 1 year, 10 months, 2 days.

BOARD.

Those desiring rooms and board can be accommodated by applying to
MRS. A. E. FRANKS,
Lexington, within two minutes' walk of post office and railroad station, on MAIN ST., LEXINGTON, opp. Massachusetts House.
23 Jan 2w

DRESSMAKING

done by the day, or will take work home; ten years experience. Any one wishing references can apply to Mrs. Frank Bott, 5 Gray street, Arlington. Address,
MISS M. A. MACKAY,
5 Locke st., North Cambridge.

HOUSE TO LET, corner Jason and Academy sts., now occupied by Mr. Jas. T. Swan, a very desirable house, all modern improvements. Apply to JOHN GRAY, Pleasant st., Arlington. Possession given March 1.

WANTED, a competent girl to do general house work. Apply at 100 Pleasant street, Arlington.

Cambridge Furniture

CO.,
Phillips Bros., & Co., Prop's.

BULLETIN.

50 Second Hand Carpets, 20 to 60 cts. per yard.
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Parlor Suits, Hair Cloth, etc., \$15.00 and upwards.
Oak Rocking Chairs, \$1.50.
Kitchen Chairs, 35, 50 and 75c.
Antique Mahogany Furniture.
Old Book Cases, Desks, Pictures, Sideboards, etc., new and second hand.

At Less Than Boston Prices.
**556 MAIN STREET,
CAMBRIDGEPORT.**

GOODS SOLD ON EASY PAYMENTS.
16 Jan 4w

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of ROYAL T. BRYANT, late of Lexington, in said County, deceased,

GREETING:
WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Sarah Harwell Bryant and Arthur W. Bryant, who pray that letters testamentary may be issued to them, the executors, therein named, and that they may be exempt from giving a surety or securities on their bond pursuant to said will and statute;

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the first Tuesday of February next, at nine o'clock before noon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same. And said petitioners are hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks, in the newspaper called the LEXINGTON MINUTE-MAN, printed at Lexington, the last publication to be two days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, GEORGE M. BROOKS, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.
16 Jan 3w J. H. TYLER, Register.

GEORGE E. MUZZEY,

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Lime, Cement, Hair, etc.,
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Agent for Bradley's FERTILIZERS of all kinds, and Akron Drain Pipe.

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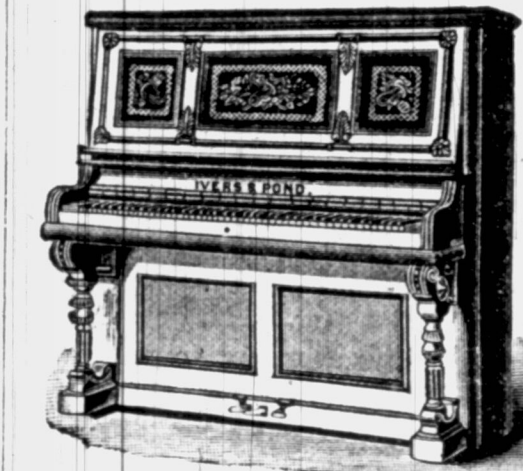
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Teacher of Piano, Organ and Harmony,
EAST LEXINGTON, MASS.
14 Nov 15w

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CEO. W. CALE, 336 Main St., cor Portland St.,
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TELEPHONE 10, CAMBRIDGE.

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Don't say you cannot afford to get one till you have given us a trial. Ask by postal card and we will send you free, a Catalogue, tell you our prices, explain our plan of EASY PAYMENTS, and generally post you on the Piano question.

You may save \$50. by writing us a postal card.
IVERS & POND PIANO CO.
183 Tremont St., Boston.

E. O. SIMONDS, CARPENTER AND BUILDER,

Contracting and building on a new basis, viz: By the per cent., which insures perfect satisfaction to the owner. Estimating done on plans for those who prefer the old to the new method of building. Plans and specifications furnished when desired.
N. B.—All bills for jobbing due at the end of each month.
Residence fourth house on Warren St., from Medford St. 19 Sept 16m

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SOLD, EXCHANGED and RENTED, TUNED, REPAIRED and POLISHED.
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Residence 141 Arlington avenue. 152 Tremont St., Boston.

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ORCHESTRA FURNISHED FOR PARTIES AND RECEPTIONS.
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Thousands have used and commend them. People prejudiced because of other kinds are enthusiastic in favor of this invention when they come to see it in its perfect shape as a lounge, for it does not betray the least sign of a bed. Sofa Beds, \$20 to \$50. Send for circular.
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227 TREMONT ST., BOSTON,
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Guaranteed to fit or no pay. Advice concerning the teeth cheerfully given. All work warranted.

DON'T FORGET THE PLACE,
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C. A. BLISS, D. D. S.,
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21 Nov 6m

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We take pains in copying and enlarging old pictures, producing a portrait which will give satisfaction.

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Human Ministry.
To all who walk the ways of earth,
Of noble or of humble birth,
Belongs a power of priceless worth,
Divinely given,
Beloved of heaven.
A power, beautiful indeed,
To help their fellows in their need,
The hunger of their souls to feed,
And make less dreary,
Lives sad and weary;
By little things that cost not much—
A kindly word, a look, a touch—
Thus sunny gleams to bring to such
As lack life's sweetness
In its completeness.
Yet o'er earth's pathways high and low,
Do mortals hungry, fainting go,
For what their fellows might bestow
Their hearts to lighten,
Their days to brighten.
Not pitiless are all, nor cold,
Yet all unthinkingly withhold
Much they might give more dear than gold,
To spirits weary,
With burdens dreary.
No one his fellow's heart may read,
Or know the measure of his need,
Or number those who only bleed,
Yet smiling cover
Their heart-wounds over;
And none there are of all that live,
That live not better, to receive
The pleasant things that all may give
Of helpful power,
In every hour.
The kindly word and look and smile,
How mighty are they to beguile,
And make earth's often weary while
Not wholly cheerless,
Though never tearless.
Alas! the many that remain
In spirit-hunger and in pain,
And wait and long and pine in vain
For such revealing
Of fellow-feeling,
O, mortals, freely give of such—
The cheering word, the smile, the touch—
That nothing cost, that help so much
Sad hearts to lighten,
Dark hours to brighten.
—[Frances A. Percy, in the Ledger.]

Origin of a Masterpiece.

"What a bear!" exclaimed the young lieutenant, as he joined a group consisting of several officers and two ladies, who were seated on deck, protected by a tent from the sun's hot rays.

"Of whom are you speaking, Monsieur de Poilly?"

"Of your engineer, Colonel."

The last-named person, the Comte de Maudave, turned in the direction indicated by his subordinate, and saw in an arm-chair, at a little distance, a man with closed eyes, either asleep or pretending to be so, for the purpose of escaping the conversation of the people round him.

Before going further, we ought to explain to the reader that this little scene occurred in 1768, on the fore-deck of a fine vessel which was sailing from the East to the Island of Madagascar.

"He is not my engineer," said Monsieur de Maudave, with a smile, "for I had no choice in the matter. Monsieur de Praslin, Minister to His Majesty, Louis Fifteenth, inflicted this person upon me when he sent me to take possession of the colony, with the title of 'Commander for the King.' You all know that we are going to teach the Madagascans to love France; we are going, with only fifty soldiers and hardly any arms, not to conquer, but to persuade."

The man who spoke so confidently of substituting persuasion for gunshots was an acknowledged Prince Charming, a perfect type of the chivalrous, gallant and brilliant officer. He had asked and obtained permission of government to go and subdue with pacific measures the beautiful island which was fast escaping from French domination. So certain was he of success that he was bringing with him his charming young wife, as well as her mother, who was the active and intelligent widow of a Governor of the East Indies.

The presence of these ladies beguiled the tedium of the voyage by arousing the gallantry of the brilliant and aristocratic officers, all of whom were accustomed to the manners of the French court and who, in spite of the difference in their ranks, now met in genial intercourse, by virtue of their equality of birth, and the prospect of the dangers to be braved in common during their hazardous expedition.

The young engineer alone kept entirely aloof from this elegant and genial circle, seeming to live a separate existence within the narrow limits of the ship. He was reserved and silent even to sullenness, and yet seemed possessed of the powers of pleasing, being scarcely thirty years old, with a handsome face and form, though perhaps a trifle effeminate, and very elegant manners. The gracious and charming Comtesse de Maudave had exerted herself to tame the savage, but in vain; he seemed to care for nothing but mathematics and geometry, and was always absorbed in problems and calculations.

On this occasion, the Colonel, pro-

voked by Monsieur de Poilly's remarks, pronounced a very unflattering panegyric upon the young engineer.

"He is a fool of the worst kind, for so much conceit combined with absurd sensitiveness could never exist in an original mind. He has a bad disposition, and his parents, who come from Havre, confessed to me that they had despaired of his making a success of anything. He does not know what he wants; when he was quite a child he ran away from home to be a hermit; later he went to Martinique, having resolved to be a traveler after reading 'Robinson Crusoe.' He enlisted, and fought with great courage; he has been to Holland, and in Russia, Monsieur le Chevalier, as he chose to be called, was so fortunate as to win the protection of the Empress Catherine. Everywhere his wild, repellent nature brought him to misery; a short time ago he was starving in Paris in a miserable lodging in the Macons-Sarbonne, giving lessons in mathematics, when he could find pupils, and the minister, Monsieur de Praslin, being petitioned in his behalf, appointed him to accompany me to Madagascar to repair the walls of Fort Dauphin, where we are to install ourselves."

"I think," said Madame de Maudave gently, "that perhaps he is one of those strange geniuses who can be managed—like a child."

"No one can manage him."
"You think not? For my part, I believe his character in spite of his foolish pride, contains a great deal of sweetness and nobility. I have often surprised him wrapt in reverie."

"That fellow? There is not a grain of sentiment in his nature. If he seems thoughtful, it is only because he is plotting to escape from the work expected of him without exposing his ignorance. He does not know his business, and must have obtained his commission through favor only. Wait a minute—you shall have a proof that he knows nothing of science. It will be amusing."

The Colonel then told one of the sailors to go and call the engineer, who seemed to have fallen asleep in his chair. The young man rose, and in compliance with the order received, sauntered, with an air of assurance, towards the commander. Madame de Maudave looked at him and whispered,

"His eyes are wide open, he does not look as if he had just been wakened suddenly. What a soft, dreamy expression they have! I tell you he is more a poet than a mathematician."

Her husband shrugged his shoulders, and then addressed the engineer, who had now approached the group.

"Pardon me, Monsieur le Chevalier, for disturbing you, but we want the aid of your learning to decide a question upon which we cannot agree. One of these gentlemen insists that it is possible to ignite gun-powder by means of a sunbeam passing through a lens."

"That is absurd," said the umpire peremptorily without an instant's reflection.

The officers exchanged glances with each other, and the young engineer, annoyed by their evident incredulity, added,

"It is very easy to prove it. Bring me a little powder." A minute later, he had boldly placed the powder in the hollow of his hand, and proceeded to catch a sunbeam with a lens taken from a telescope. It was in vain that the others tried to dissuade him; he was obstinate, and in a few seconds a flame burst out in his palm. His self-love enabled him to stifle the cry of pain which rose to his lips, but a terrible grimace told that his fool-hardiness was punished, and a laugh broke from the least charitable of the spectators.

From that day he was hardly ever seen by his fellow-voyagers. Wounded to the quick at having been made ridiculous before two ladies, he could not pardon the Comte de Maudave, and refused to remain under his command.

When the vessel touched at the Isle of France he went on shore and insisted on staying there. He bought a miserable cabin in the Pamplemousses quarter, and lived on the fruit of the country, which in that blest climate is to be had almost for the gathering. Here he remained several months, and at the first opportunity returned to his own country.

During his retirement the unsuccessful engineer had discovered his true vocation, for he brought back with him the most poetic romance ever written. The work was signed "Bernardin de Saint Pierre," and entitled "Paul and Virginia!"—[From the French, in Epoch.]

Silk petticoats are on the increase.

RICHEST REDSKINS.

They are the Navajos in North-eastern Arizona.

Facts of Interest About the Southwestern Indians.

Probably the wealthiest of our totally uncivilized Indians are the Navajos, whose country is in the north-eastern corner of Arizona. Their herds of animals and flocks of sheep are always in sight from the car windows of the Atlantic & Pacific Railroad. They do not all follow pastoral occupations, but many chiefs own productive fruit and vegetable farms, the product of which finds a convenient market in Santa Fe and Albuquerque. For many years they have been quiet, and they are, in fact, too wealthy to go on the warpath and risk their fortunes. A short time after the rebellion they began raiding and pillaging, and troops were sent after them. The shrewd commander supplied his men with axes, and starting at one end of their lands he moved forward, cutting down their orchards, destroying their crops and shooting any animals found in his path. This sort of warfare was too much for them, and after they had lost the result of years of labor they sued for peace and have since been quiet.

Among this tribe are found the expert weavers of the noted Navajo blanket, so much prized in the East as a curiosity. The finer varieties are valued at \$50 or \$60 in the Navajo country, while small saddle blankets sometimes sell for \$10. Scattered through this country are the ruins of many "adobe" towns, which were undoubtedly the settlements of that strong tribe of which the Zuni and Moki Indians are the living representatives. Along the southern line of Utah are seven large cities, of course now in ruins, which were built by this almost extinct nation. Their style of architecture is found all over Arizona, and there is almost conclusive evidence that they were exterminated by the more ferocious Apaches. The Zunis were undoubtedly a peace-loving people, and the implements found in the ruins prove that they practised many of the ruder arts, such as making pottery and the weaving of wool for clothing.

When the hordes of Apaches came from the North the Zunis defended their cities until they were forced up into the cliffs and mountains, where many deserted cliff dwellings are found. Sometimes on the bare face of cliffs 200 feet high one finds these dwellings of three and four stories high. To cut into these rocky precipices the first workmen were lowered over the edge by ropes until sufficiently large cavities to serve as habitations were dug out. One member of each family was always left at home to lower a rope ladder for the absent ones to ascend on their return. These dwellings show that every precaution was taken to enable the occupants to withstand a siege, because in many are found stone cisterns to hold water and deeper recesses in the rear which probably served to store away provisions and firewood. With such advantages on the side of the ultimately defeated and exterminated nation, the Apache and Zuni war must have been a long and bitter one.

It is with the greatest difficulty that the Southwestern Indians may be induced to speak of the dead, so if they have an interesting tradition or history, their custom of being silent concerning dead comrades prevents any knowledge of their past from reaching us. They have no written language, though many can still communicate by means of signs and hieroglyphics. Association with whites divorces them from many aboriginal customs and prejudices, and this is especially the case with friendly Indian scouts, many of whom re-enlist year after year and live at the frontier posts on terms of equality with the troops. The employment of Apaches in the Government service has done much toward their civilization. Thirteen dollars per month, comfortable quarters, a clothing allowance, and an abundant ration would wean any savage from a desire to live under precisely reverse conditions, with the only reward being that of following a career of raiding and murder, while in return being continually chased through Mexico, New Mexico and Arizona, without an opportunity to rest or see his family. Before Mayor Tupper gave the warlike Chiricahuas their severe blow in the Hatchet Mountains in 1883, we had no agreement with Mexico allowing us to cross the line in pursuit of hostiles, and every massacre was followed by nothing more than a chase to the border, where, if the Indians arrived

first, they raised their hands to their noses and smiled at the troops. The good effect of Tupper's fight induced the Mexicans to allow us to follow a hot trail, i. e., one not more than eight hours old, and as the age of the trail is a matter of opinion, it is evident that considerable latitude is allowed, and the pursuing party may push on after the hostiles should there be a chance of overtaking them, even though the trail be sixteen hours old. —[New York Tribune.]

Feminine Smugglers.

The Comedy of the Custom House is clearly outlined in the Contributors' Club of the Atlantic. The writer says:

Packed snugly away in that wilderness of trunks and boxes are hundreds, nay, thousands, of pretty trifles, which it is the painful duty of every man, and the proud ambition of every woman, to carry in unscathed and undetected. The frank, shameless delight which a woman takes in smuggling has long puzzled the male moralist, who, following the intricacies of the feminine conscience, can find no satisfactory explanation of this by-path.

He cannot bring her to understand why, when she has purchased and paid for an article, it should not be hers to take where she likes, to deal with as she pleases; and a dozen discourses on political economy and the laws of nations leave her unshaken in this simple and primitive conception. As the English argue best in platoons, so a woman argues best in action; and, while her husband or brother is proving to her in the clearest possible fashion that a high protective tariff is a blessing to the land she is assiduously storing away embroidered table covers, and silk stockings, and silver spoons, and tortoise-shell combs, and tiny jeweled pins, and bits of frail Venetian glass, wherever her practised eye tells her they will best escape detection.

In the abstract, of course, dear Edwin is right—he always is—but she is far too busy with her task to enter into abstractions just now. Whatever mental subtlety she possesses is reserved for a much more important ordeal—that of getting clear with a clean conscience from the searching questions of the inspector. "When I am asked if I have any presents I always answer no," said a devout, church-going woman to me one day, "because I do not consider them presents until I give them away."

A Bird Sixteen Feet High.

In the museum of Christ Church, New Zealand, there is on exhibition the remarkable skeleton of a bird known as the moa, which was indigenous to that country, but is believed to have been extinct for 2000 years. Even the traditions of the natives fail to give us any account of this gigantic bird while it lived, though their own tribal existence is traced back for hundreds of years. The head of the skeleton stands sixteen feet high from the ground, and its various proportions are such as to harmonize with the extraordinary height. This bird must have been six feet taller when standing erect than the average camelopard. Its bones are still found in various parts of the country, and especially in caves where they have been protected from the disintegrating forces of the weather.

The moa skeleton, at Christ Church forms the greatest ornithological wonder in the world. What Niagara is to ordinary waterfalls, the moa was to the bird tribe. It belonged to the Totans who dwelt upon the earth perhaps in the days of the mastodon and the dodo. The extravagances of Baron Munchausen and Jules Verne can hardly exceed the fact of the moa's existence. It was a long time before incredulous naturalists could be induced to admit of the existence of such a bird upon the earth at any period, but the writer has seen and measured this skeleton in the museum of the thriving New Zealand city referred to, while scientists have lately made voyages from Europe solely to examine and report upon this marvelous object, which so vividly recalls prehistoric times. —[Courier-Journal.]

Better Off than He Knew.

A man who was eating a large, raw carrot stopped a woman on Duffield street and said:

"Madam, could you give me ten cents to buy food with?"

"Why, you seem to have plenty," she answered.

"Raw carrot—see?" he said as he extended it.

"Yes, but don't you know that raw carrot contains 93 per cent. of clear nutriment, against only 33 in mince pie or plum pudding. You ought to be thankful, sir—very thankful." —[Detroit Free Press.]

PEARLS OF THOUGHT.

Habit molds even a cast-iron principal.

To err is human, but to forgive is divine.

Nothing pleases a woman like being loved in vain.

When conscience oversleeps herself, we call her remorse.

A woman repents, not of the sin, but of its consequences.

A woman's constancy is the most irrelevant thing in nature.

Do not vow an eternal love; it may be that you are preferred for time only.

Nothing corrupts a man like being loved; nothing elevates a woman like loving.

The culprit who found that lovely woman leaned to mercy in her judgments, was—a man!

A woman cares little what a man really is; she prefers to think him what she likes to have him.

You get your name etched on the hour-glass of time only to have it smashed on the edge of eternity.

If you wish your wife to throw the cloak of charity over your sins, be sure to provide her with an expensive one.

A man's honor seems to consist in the refusal to give away a friend; a woman's in the refusal to give away herself.

We unload our superfluity upon others and call it generosity; we intrude into the sorrows of our fellows and call it sympathy.

Who said women have the more delicate sentiments? A lover will cherish a stray hair-pin, while his adored one pins his flower into the button-hole of her neighbor at dinner. —[Algonaut.]

Two Important Words.

It is wonderful how vast an amount of mischief, and of misery even, is produced by the simple misuse of these little words. People many times say "Yes" without thinking of what it involves, or they say "No" in so feeble a tone that those who are urging them to do something which they cannot honorably do are invited to persist until they get the answer they desire. And thus they assume obligations which they have no settled purpose to fulfill, or neglect duties which their own conscience and their sense of honor tell them they should discharge. "Yes" is more easily said than "No," because it is more agreeable to assent to another's wishes than it is to oppose them. Hence, of some good-natured men the remark is often heard: "They cannot say 'No.'"

Young man, consider well what you are asked to do before you pronounce your "Yes," but, having uttered it, remember that the reply to all who wish you to break your promise must be a "No" so emphatic, prompt, decisive, that they cannot for a moment doubt that you mean it. You have made a great attainment if you have learned to say "No" and stick to it. Frequently you will find a most unpleasant word, sometimes a very painful word to utter, but that sort of pain is momentary. It is not the pain caused by conscience violated, by honor sullied. It is not the pain produced by the life-long memory of evils inflicted on yourself and others which a little timely firmness would have prevented. "Let your 'Yes' be 'Yes' and your 'No' be 'No'." —[Chicago Herald.]

Fires in New York.

That the growth of the work which New York firemen are called on to do demands the best apparatus which can be made, and that every valuable improvement must be adopted, will be apparent from even a casual inspection of the statistics of fires and consequent losses. In 1866, the year after the paid department took the places of the volunteers, there were 796 fires in the city. In 1888 there were 3217. In 1866 there was 1 fire to every 80 buildings in the city, and in 1888 1 to 35. In 1866 there was 1 1-2 fire to every man on the force, in 1888 3 1-7 fires to each man. That the efficiency of the force has more than kept pace with the growth in fires, however, is plain from the fact that the average loss per fire in 1866 was \$8075.38, and in 1888 but \$1705.29. —[Scribner.]

How Magnets Attract.

A magnet does not attract iron as such. It has first to convert the iron by induction, into another magnet before it can attract it. Hence, magnets can only attract magnets. In the same way, an electrified body will not attract light substances into electrified bodies with opposite polarities to itself before it can attract them. —[Courier-Journal.]

Uncle William's Picture.

Uncle William, last July,
Had his picture took,
"Have it done, of course," says I,
"Jes the way you look!"
(All dressed up, he was, for the
Barbecue and jubilee
The Old Settlers held.) So he—
Last he had it took.

Lide she'd coaxed and begged and plead,
Sence her mother went;
But he'd cought and shake his head
At all argment;
Mebby clear his throat and say,
"What's my likeness 'mount to, hey,
Now, with mother gone away
From us, like she went?"

But we'd projick'd round, tell we
Got it figgered down,
How we'd git him, Lide and me,
Drivin' into town.
Bragged how well he looked, and fleshed
Up around the face, and freshed
With the morning air; and brashed
His coat-collar down.

All so providential! Why,
Now he's dead and gone,
Picture 'pears so lifelike I
Want to start him on
Them old tails he ust to tell
And old talks, so sociable,
And old songs he sung so well
Fore his voice was gone!

Face is sad to Lide, and they's
Sorrow in the eyes—
Kisses it sometimes, and lays
It away and cries;
I smooth down her hair, and 'low
He is happy, anyhow,
Bein' there with mother now—
Smile and wipe my eyes.

—[James Riley, in the Century.]

HUMOROUS.

Professor:—"Which teeth come last? Pupil:—"The false one, sir."

A man is hardly in "the melting mood" when his temper is being tried.

Strange to say, the actor does not relish the idea that there is always somebody to take his part.

Young Doctor:—"I prescribed for my first patient yesterday. Young Lawyer (anxiously):—"Has he made his will yet?"

Mrs. Sanso:—"Are these diamonds real? Jeweler:—"Oh, yes. We can guarantee them, (absently) for they are our own make."

Invalid (chronic):—"Tell me, doctor, what feature of my complaint do you find it hardest to overcome? Doctor:—"That tired feeling!"

"Yes, I once failed for a hundred thousand," he remarked. "You see, the girl was worth that in her own right and refused me."

De Fer:—"I feel like a new man this morning. Waite (anxiously):—"Do you feel anything like the kind of a man that would be apt to pay a debt of \$5? He paid it."

Artillery Lieutenant (by way of compliment):—"Ah, my dear young lady, but your looks, your glances, go right home. Every one's a bull's-eye."

Widow Casey:—"Ah, Mr. Dolan, when my ould man died, it left a big hole in my heart. Mr. Dolan:—"Mrs. Casey, would ye moind patchin' it wid a bit out of mine?"

"Are Mr. and Mrs. Green at home?" was asked of the little girl who answered the bell. "Yes." "Are they engaged?" The small girl looked horrified as she answered: "Why, they are married."

The Elephant's Hide in Commerce.

The tanning of elephant's hides is comparatively a new industry. The method employed is practically the same as in the tanning of cow-hides, except that a stronger combination of the tannic ingredients is required and a greater length of time, about six months, is necessary to perform the work. When the hide is taken out of the vat it is about one and one-half inches thick. Articles made of elephant's hide are expensive luxuries. A small pocket-book of elephant leather, without any gold or silver ornamentation, costs about \$40.

A small satchel made of the same leather costs anywhere from \$300 to \$400. Cigar cases, card cases and similar articles vary from \$25 to \$100. Floor rugs are also made out of the leather. In finishing the hide no attempt is made to glaze or polish it. Everything is done to preserve its natural color and appearance. It is a very enduring leather, several years' wear having but little effect upon it. The scarcity of elephants and the great expense entailed in the tanning of their hides precludes the possibility of elephant leather ever becoming a thing of popular and general use.

A Pushing Agent.

Peddler:—"Please, mum, I'm sellin' a polish to clean silver."

Housekeeper (sharply):—"Don't want none."

Peddler:—"Very sorry, mum, but I see the neighbors was right. They said there was no use callin' here, 'cause you didn't have no silver."

Housekeeper (wildly):—"Gimme six boxes." —[New York Weekly.]

POINTS ABOUT PUSS.

Theories Regarding the Domestic Cat's Origin.

Tabby Was Worshipped by the Ancient Egyptians.

"From what source is the domestic cat derived?"

A distinguished mammalogist was asked the question by a Washington Star Reporter and his reply was that no one knew. Said he:

"Three theories, quite distinct, are held on the subject. Some think that the domestic puss is derived from the European wildcat, which is gray with black spots and strongly resembles the common tabby of the household, though it is much larger and very fierce. For a long time this belief was pretty generally accepted, but it is not so any longer.

"The second theory is that the domestic cat is descended from the wildcat of North Africa, which also resembles the tabby, having a longer tail than the European wildcat. But the third belief, which is chiefly adhered to today, is that puss is derived from a mixed origin, by crosses between wildcats of various sorts, which have produced different strains in different parts of the world—as the Persian breed, the maltese and others.

"It is well known that the Egyptians domesticated the cat, which, in fact, they worshipped. Representations of the animal appear numerous upon their monuments, though not upon those which date back much farther than 2000 years before Christ. This shows that the creature must have become known to them as a household pet for the first time at about that period. They were accustomed to preserve their cats in the shape of mummies, the female corpses wrapped, like those of human beings, in windings of cloth. Only a short time ago discovery was made of a great cave in Egypt filled with thousands and thousands of mummified cats, which were promptly dug out and exported to England, where they were sold at the rate of \$15 a ton for fertilizing purposes. Some of them, however, were carefully unwrapped and dissected for scientific purposes. It was found that they were very much like the pussies of today, although to the eye of the anatomist they exhibited certain very perceptible differences in the formation of their skulls, the breadth of their shoulder blades and other points. In short, they approached in type more nearly to the wildcat.

"It is a fact that the domestic puss will cross with many varieties of wildcats and thus may have been produced many of the varying species found in the world. In the Isle of Man there is a cat, native to no other spot on earth, which has no tail. In Maine there is a very peculiar variety known up there as the 'coon cat,' of which ignorant people confidentially assert that it is a cross between the domestic tabby and the raccoon. Such a cross, of course, would be as impossible as a cross between the cat and the dog. We get our word 'cat' from the Latin 'catus,' applied by the Romans to the animal and meaning 'sly.'

"There is in India another species of the cat tribe which is commonly domesticated. It is as big as a large dog and is called the 'cheetah' or 'hunting leopard.' People in that country keep cheetahs as we do mastiffs and allow them the same freedom. The beast is of all known animals the swiftest in running, so that it is even able to overtake the antelope in flight. It is used for hunting purposes to a great extent. One peculiarity it has which distinguishes it as belonging to a separate branch of the cat family, it is unable to draw in its claws at will."

The Perfect Man.
The proportions of the human figure are six times the length of the right foot. Whether the form is slender or plump, the rule holds good on an average. Any deviation from the rule is a departure from the beauty of proportion. It is claimed that the Greeks made all their statues according to this rule. The face from the highest point of the forehead, where the hair begins, to the end of the chin, is one-tenth of the whole stature; the hand from the wrist to the end of the middle finger is also one-tenth of the total height. From the crown to the nape of the neck is one-twelfth the stature. If the face from the roots of the hair to the chin be divided into three equal parts, the first division determines the place where the eyebrows should meet, the second the opening of the nostrils. A man of good proportions is as tall as the distance between the tips of his fingers when both arms are extended to full length.

Witches and Black-Cats.
In most countries where any superstition concerning the cat is entertained, it is the reverse of reverence. We all know how the cat has for a long time been regarded as the favorite associate of witches, and we cannot help but wonder how this superstition originated. Many a cruelty have the poor cats shared with persons suspected of practicing the "black art." In Germany today mothers guard the cradles of their children lest a black cat, an omen of evil, should trespass in them; and a black cat on the bed of a sick person is regarded as a sure sign of approaching death.—[The Voice.

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"Certainly—how much did you say?"
"Fifty dollars."

The Speed of Insects.
There are many insects which one would little suspect to be furnished with apparatus suited to swift and more or less continuous flight. House-flies frequent the inside of our windows, buzzing sluggishly in and out of the room. But what different creature are they when they accompany your horse on a hot summer's day. A swarm of these little pests keeps pertinaciously on wing about the horse's ears; quicken the pace up to ten or twelve miles an hour, still they are there; let a gust of wind arise, and carry them backward and behind—the breeze having dropped, their speed is redoubled, and they return to their post of annoyance to the poor horse even when urged to its fastest pace.

But this example gives only a partial proof of the fly's power of flight, as the following will show: The writer was traveling one day in autumn by rail at about twenty-five miles an hour, when a company of flies put in an appearance at the car window. They never settled, but easily kept pace with the train; so much so, indeed, that their flight seemed to be almost mechanical, and a thought struck the writer that they had probably been drawn into a kind of vortex, whereby they were carried onward with but little exertion on the part of themselves. But this notion was soon disproved. They sailed forth at right angles from the train, flew to a distance of thirty or forty feet, still keeping pace, and then returned with increased speed and buoyancy to the window.

To account for this, look at the wings of a fly. Each is composed of an upper and lower membrane, between which the blood-vessels and respiratory organs ramify so as to form a delicate network for the extended wings. These are used with great quickness, and probably 600 strokes are made per second. This would carry the fly about 25 feet, but a sevenfold velocity can easily be attained, making 175 feet per second, so that under certain circumstances it can outstrip a racehorse. If a small insect like a fly can outstrip a racehorse, an insect as large as a horse would travel much faster than a cannon-ball.—[New York Ledger.

A Story of a Ham.
"Young man, take my advice and pay for things as you go. Do not run up bills."

This was the sage advice a well-known business man gave a Star reporter yesterday. "Why?" continued he, "because in the end you will have to pay for it all, and there is no telling for how much else besides. I will tell you of a little incident that came under my observation recently, and you will see why I say so. The proprietor of a large provision store in this city made a credit sale of a fine ham to one of his customers, but much to his surprise he found out a little later that he had forgotten to whom he sold it, and failed to make any note of it.

"This bothered him somewhat until a happy thought struck him. He endeavored the gray matter in his brain and recalled the names of thirteen men who had happened to be in the store at the time the transaction took place, though for the life of him he could not think who had gone off with that piece of swine. But, nothing daunted, he went back and told his bookkeeper to charge up one ham to each of those thirteen different accounts, telling him at the same time that when twelve of the men objected to paying for it, to explain to them that it was a mistake that would not occur again.

"What happened? Why, twelve of that party paid their bills without a question, and only one raised any objection to the pork item. So at least eleven, and very likely all twelve, had paid for something they had not bought, and that some one else had disposed of. Steer clear of bills."—[Washington Star.

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SCIENTIFIC SCRAPS.

A dozen church organs in New York city are now supplied with wind by electric motors.

It has recently been found that certain fungoid growths have the power of removing gold from water containing it in suspension.

Practical New York dairymen claim it has taken at least 10 1/2 pounds of milk on the average this season to make a pound of cheese.

The production of metal aluminum by electrolysis at a cost little above that of tin is what some French chemists are sanguine of being able to accomplish.

The 100th asteroid was discovered on October 3d, 1890. The first was discovered January 1st, 1801, and the list has been increased by about 100 in the last ten years.

Experiments made not only in this country, but in Europe, indicate that the use of electric lights when applied for the growth of plants, can never be of any practical benefit.

Cuneiform tablets lately deciphered prove to be among the earliest astronomical records known, giving a minute account of Chaldean observations of the moon and the planets for the year 522 B. C.

A French chemist has shown that the potato called the "Richter imperator" is well fitted for the production of alcohol by distillation on a commercial scale and that the "draff" that results is readily eaten by cattle.

One great advantage in the use of artificial dyes is that in each group of those dyed in the same way are those which will produce the three preliminary colors, so that, by proper combination, all shades can be produced in one dyeing operation.

Data of the trials of three large steamers, showing the comparative merits of large and small screws, show that propellers of small diameter have in each case proved the more economical and effective, both increasing the speed and decreasing the coal consumption.

Observations seem to show that a decrease in the earth's latitude is in progress, implying an alteration in the direction of the earth's axis. The fluctuation is thought to be due to a minute oscillation caused by some changes in the internal wars of the earth.

The amount of heat which the sun sends forth every second is calculated to be so great that it would require twelve quadrillions of tons of coal to produce it; an amount quite beyond the power of the common mind to grasp. The amount of water which it raises from the earth every minute is estimated at the enormous weight of thirty-seven thousand millions of tons.

One of the most excellent of recent innovations is the introduction of metal ceilings in place of wood and plaster. These ceilings do not shrink or burn like wood, they will not stain, crack or fall off like plaster, but being permanent, durable, fire-proof and ornamental, will eventually supersede both wood and plaster, besides being in the end far more economical than either.

A Remarkable Quadruped.
A French periodical, the Monde Artiste, introduces to our notice a quadruped whose acquaintance is certainly worth making. The dog to which we refer belongs to a family residing in Darmstadt—a most musical family, for every member of it—and it reckons eight—plays some musical instrument or other from morning till night. Even the servants have been taught to play, much to the torture of the neighbors; and hardly less at first was the infliction felt by the dog in question, who used to slink out of the house in order to escape the conflicting sounds of the various instruments. It was determined, however, that the animal should also receive a musical education, and to this end he was made to stay beside his master's chair, let him bark and whine as he might.

Further, to teach him music, every time a false note was played he received a cut from a whip, and thus his ear was formed and his education completed. Gradually, says the Monde Artiste, the animal got to understand that each stroke of the whip he received signified that a false note had been played, and soon a look sufficed to make him howl at the right moment. At the present time he recognizes a note that is out of tune without being touched or looked at; and when taken to a concert or other musical entertainment, if a performer makes a mistake he sets up a howl of disapproval, and can only be reduced to silence by the voice of his master, who sometimes has even to leave the hall with the animal to avoid disturbing the proceedings.

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ABOUT TOWN MATTERS.

Notices of concerts, lectures, entertainments, etc., to which an admission fee is charged, must be paid for as advertisements, by the line.

Our streets have been lively with large and small sleighing parties again this week.

The pulpit supply at the Unitarian church next Sunday, will be Rev. J. M. Leighton.

The next meeting of the Chautauqua L. S. C. will be held at the residence of Mr. Henry A. Kidder, on Monday evening, Jan. 26.

Regular meeting of Hiram Lodge, F. A. M., last evening. Routine business alone claimed the attention of officers and members.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson E. Blake and Mrs. Wm. E. Wood, of Arlington, were among last week's guests at the Windsor Hotel, Jacksonville, Florida.

Mr. Wm. E. Wood and his nephew William B. Wood, representing Wm. T. Wood & Co., the ice tool manufacturers, left town on Wednesday for a short business trip "down east."

The next meeting of the new singing society will be held in the Russell school building, Tuesday evening, Jan. 27, at 8 o'clock. A full attendance of all interested is desired.

Town Hall presented an attractive scene with the party of children gathered there, learning to dance under the instruction of Mrs. Conell, on Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. Daniel Martin, of Newark, N. J., will preach at the Pleasant St. Congregational church, Sunday, in exchange with Rev. S. C. Bushnell, who will spend next Sunday in that city and occupy Mr. Martin's pulpit.

The Y. P. S. C. E. meeting, will be the monthly "consecration meeting," led by the president, A. Winslow Trow. Bible reference, Isa., 40: 28 to 31. "The continual renewal of strength." These meetings are free to all and young people are specially invited.

Nathan Robbins Lodge No. 186 of the Progressive Benefit order, give an entertainment in Grand Army Hall, next Monday evening, consisting of local talent and friends from out of town. The Supreme Lodge officers will be present and explain the workings of the order.

The monthly consecration meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Baptist church will be held in the small vestry, next Sunday evening, at quarter past six o'clock. Subject, "The continual renewal of strength." J. Howell Crosby will lead the meeting and a full attendance is desired to answer to the roll call.

The second lecture in the course on English literature was delivered by Mrs. Ellen J. Walker, in Hotel Flower, Boston, on Wednesday evening. The subject of the lecture was "George Eliot's views upon the women of talent of France," introducing the characteristic qualities of the women as leaders of the French salon in the 18th century.

On Wednesday the Addison Gage Ice Co. commenced cutting and storing ice from Spy Pond, the surface having been prepared and having the advantage of the freeze Monday and Tuesday. During the day a large amount was hauled with their most excellent machinery but at night the "rain descended and the floods came," putting a quick stop to the operation.

To-morrow afternoon, in the vestry of the Congregational church, the benevolently inclined will have a chance to see a practical working of the "Kitchen Garden" work of the young girls connected with the Mission in Boston partly maintained by Hancock Flower Mission. It is held to raise funds to prosecute the work, so an admission of 25 cents (children 10 cents) is charged. The exhibition commences at 2:30 o'clock.

The strong crust formed by last Saturday and Sunday's storm has furnished splendid material for coasting, as well as the icy condition of some of the streets with steep hills. Several bad bruises and sprains have resulted from falls and overturns, but we hear of no serious injuries, though some of the victims of these smaller accidents have been housed some days and have not yet recovered.

Mrs. Abba Gould Woolson, who is speaking to crowded houses in Boston, commenced her second course of lectures this winter, in Newtonville, on Tuesday morning, in the beautiful club house. The previous course was upon "Certain English and French Women of Note," in the private parlors of Mrs. Whitton, Thursday evening Mrs. Woolson delivered the second in her course on "Famous Queens," at the Unitarian church, in Arlington under the patronage and management of Mrs. Judge Parmenter. On Friday, by invitation of the Ladies' Club of Natick, the same lectures were begun in private parlors there. Women seem very anxious to reap the benefit of the studies of a ripe intellect regarding their own sex in history.—Herald, Jan. 18.

The annual meeting of Arlington Orthodox Congregational Parish was held last Monday evening. The reports showed the affairs to be in a healthful condition. Receipts have met expenditures, in addition to putting in a new steam heating apparatus, costing about \$1,000. The officers for the ensuing year are Cassius M. Hall, clerk; A. Winslow Trow, treasurer; Albert Gooding, Myron Taylor, George D. Moore, parish committee; Wm. F. Sprague, J. Herbert Frost, Gard. S. Cushman, music committee; G. H. Rugg, auditor. The usual appropriations were made, including a three hundred dollar increase to the pastor's salary.

The Woburn City Press has started a daily edition of that paper. If energy, snap and business tact sustain it, it will be a success. Woburn has population enough to give a daily a strong support.

The storm of yesterday tied up the electric motors, at early evening the sound of horses hoofs were again heard rattling on the pavement between the tracks.

The double-runner is a dangerous affair, judged by accidents this week. In two days we counted over twenty reported in our daily exchanges. Of these five were fatal, and all the others caused painful injuries or broken limbs.

Thanks to the care taken a day or two ago, by Supt. Kimball, to clear the gutters and open cess-pools, the flood which poured down on the centre from the adjoining high lands were taken off with a minimum of damage to streets or other property.

The New England Association of California Pioneers held their annual dinner at the Revere House, in Boston, last Saturday, the same proving a happy reunion of the old forty-niners. Among the guests was Mr. Henry L. Lawrence, with his wife and other members of his family, and Mr. Leonard A. Saville, town clerk of Lexington. Mr. Wm. Whytal, grocer, and Hon. Henry J. Wells, formerly of Arlington, are also members of the association.

Arlington Heights S. T. Club held their fifth anniversary and supper at Union Hall, at the Heights, on the evening of Jan. 15th, and the affair was a complete social success, although there were important attractions in other directions. Supper, one of the prime features of these gatherings, was served promptly at seven o'clock, the lady members furnishing this feature, and doing themselves high credit with the quality of the viands and the perfection of the service. The supper was followed by speaking, singing, etc., and a beautiful basket of flowers was presented to Mrs. Nellie M. Farmer, who for five years has served the society as president, and now retires. All the members joined in this neat tribute of respect. These exercises concluded, the floor was cleared and dancing merrily filled the hours until about midnight, Thomas' orchestra, from Boston, furnishing music.

The bowling match between the team of Boston Athletic Association and Arlington Boat Club team has been looked forward to with deep interest by members of both clubs in the League. Arlington already had two games of the five, and the Athletics came to Arlington, Wednesday evening, determined to prevent her scoring a third victory. The large scores made by Lodge and Wood ended the first string in favor of the Athletics, 769 to 754, and they were highly elated; but all their cheering failed to "rattle" the Arlington team, the bowlers settling down to steady and careful work, thus turning the tables and reversing the lead with a score of 776 to 718. It was evident Arlington team was at a disadvantage because of the hard luck of Stevens, heretofore sure to roll up from 175 to 180 each time, but having only 149 and a 138 to his credit in the two first strings, and as the lead gained in the second string gradually slipped away under the sharp work of Boston's crack bowlers, the faces peering in through the windows, grew a trifle serious, especially as the balance of Arlington team was only a little more than holding its own. But steadiness and nerve will tell, and so when in the ninth round every Arlington bowler gained a "spare," a feeling of relief was manifest, yet nearly every one held his breath as the tenth round was swung off and until the official score was written up, showing Arlington the winner by eleven pins, 2305 to 2294. The following is the full score:—

ARLINGTON BOAT CLUB.				
Bowler.	1st String.	2nd String.	3rd String.	Total.
Flanders,.....	137	144	155	436
Shepard,.....	163	170	168	501
Whittemore,.....	160	171	167	498
Walter Hill,.....	145	153	154	452
Stevens,.....	149	138	131	418
Totals,.....	754	776	775	2305

BOSTON ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.				
Bowler.	1st String.	2nd String.	3rd String.	Total.
Lodge,.....	171	126	163	460
Walley,.....	142	131	145	418
Hayden,.....	137	139	151	427
Goodnow,.....	136	155	160	451
Wood,.....	183	167	188	538
Totals,.....	769	718	807	2294

Referee, B. F. Swan, Jr. Scorer, F. Russell. The Boston players had a company of friends with them, including ladies, and after the match all enjoyed a substantial lunch in the parlors of the club house.

The game of Wednesday evening fastens the grip of Arlington more firmly on the leading position in the league, as Newtons beat the Casinos on the same evening. The following is the present standing of the clubs:—

Teams.	Games played.	Won.	Lost.
Arlington,.....	12	9	3
Newton,.....	12	8	4
Casinos,.....	12	7	5
Boston Athletics,.....	12	6	6
Woodland Park,.....	12	3	9
Cheleens,.....	12	2	9

The following averages of A. B. C. team to Jan. 22, will be of interest:—

Games Played.	Total Pins.	Average per pin.
C. H. Stevens,.....	4276	158
O. W. Whittemore,.....	3242	154
H. E. Shepard,.....	5479	152
W. L. Hill,.....	5471	152
A. W. Flanders,.....	5403	150
A. B. C. Total score,.....	27100	26272
Avg. per game,.....	2258	2180

Arlington avenue has been lively with sleighing parties composed of companies of children, this week, who have made the days lively with their shouts and horn blowing.

At the School Committee meeting, this week, it was voted to establish a "no-school" signal to be given by the fire alarm system. The details were referred to the engineers of the fire department, who have not yet decided just what it shall be.

The concert and dance by Arlington Brass Band stands postponed to Tuesday, Jan. 27. All persons having tickets for Jan. 22, will be admitted to concert and dance. Come and take part in one of the best social features of the year.

The play, "Out of his Sphere," will be given in the vestry of the Universalist church, next Tuesday evening, Jan. 27. Tickets issued for Jan. 8th will be good for that date.

The severity of yesterday's storm caused the postponement of the promenade concert and dance by Arlington Brass Band, and the same will be given next Tuesday evening, in Town Hall. We hope citizens generally will purchase tickets for the concert, by way of encouragement to the young men associated for the practice of martial music. The band has a long list of compositions which they render strongly, and the concert will be made up of selections from this list.

Far the largest audience yet gathered in Grand Army Hall assembled there last Friday evening, on the occasion of the public installation of the officers of Charles V. Marsh Camp, Sons of Veterans. It was essentially a Grand Army affair, as the company was confined to Post 36, W. R. C. 43, Sons of Veterans and young men of the town eligible to membership, present by special invitation. The installation of the elective officers was by Captain Clark, specially detailed for this purpose, but the staff enjoyed the honor of being installed by Col. Stevens, who has always had a lively interest in the welfare of the Camp. The following is the full roster of the officers:—

Captain, W. H. Kenniston.
1st Lieut., J. J. Hardy.
2nd Lieut., Maj. W. Bacon.
Camp Counsel, H. Beaumont, B. W. Ham, J. J. Devlin.
1st Sergt., B. A. Harris.
Q. M. Sergt., F. N. Neuley.
Chaplain, J. J. Devlin.
Corp. of Guard, J. Sullivan.
Musician, E. Jacobs.
Color Guard, J. Benham.
Camp Guard, E. L. Tyler.

On resuming command of the camp, Capt. Kenniston introduced the installing officers, who presented strong arguments in favor of membership in the Sons of Veterans, and these remarks were well supplemented by the first officer of the Medford Camp, and visitors from Boston. Commander Frost spoke for Post 36, President Swadkins for W. R. C. No. 43, comrade Powell, of Post 191 responded to a call, and there were other remarks made. An enjoyable feature, and one that gave pleasing variety, was the recitations of Sergt. Wood, of Boston, who displayed fine elocutionary abilities. The affair closed with refreshments and sociability, which kept the company together until a quite late hour. The Sons are quite proud of the success of their public installation.

The annual meeting of the Arlington W. R. C. Union was held last Friday afternoon, in the Congregational church parlor, and the attendance was good evidence that the cause of temperance and the welfare of the town is still dear to this band of devoted women, and that the approaching no-license campaign will receive substantial help at their hands. The following is the list of officers for the ensuing year:—

President, Mrs. M. J. Wiggin.
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Secretary, Mrs. Henry A. Kidder.
Treasurer, Mrs. Charles T. Learned.

The next meeting of the Union will be held in the ladies' parlor of the Congregational church on the afternoon of Jan. 30. Any ladies willing to assist in the work of this local union are invited to be present.

Mrs. Woolson gave a magnificent tribute to the character of queen Isabella of Spain, in her lecture last evening, in the Unitarian church. The descent of Isabella on the maternal side, making her largely English in her characteristics both physically and mentally, were referred to, and also the corrupt state of the court and the unruly condition of Spain when she came to the throne. The masterly manner in which she brought Spain up to the standard of one of the greatest nations of the world, the making of laws which protected the rights of property and establishing the currency on a solid basis, all contributed to the greatness of her reign. Isabella as a general of the wars which wrested Granada from the Moors was shown in her great executive ability. She lived for Spain and the advancement of her kingdom, and was the redeemer of her people and country from barbarity and continuing internal strife. The clearness and sovereignty of her intellect was shown in her cooperation with Columbus in the discovery of America which resulted so materially in advancing the greatness of Spain at that time. These are but a few of the facts gleaned from Mrs. Woolson's lecture.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.
Notices of concerts, lectures, entertainments, etc., to which an admission fee is charged, must be paid for as advertisements, by the line.
=The local Chautauqua Circle met with Mrs. Hucks, Monday afternoon.
=The barn building on the premises of Hon. A. E. Scott, on Waltham street, is already boarded in and nearing completion.
=The morning service at the Baptist church, last Sabbath, was very impressive. Sixteen persons were immersed and more will follow next Sunday.
=Mr. Eaton's remarkable horse called Linus is being exhibited in Providence, R. I., the exhibitor paying the owner \$1,000 a week; we understand, for the privilege.
=A party from Malden and one from Cambridge improved the good sleighing, Monday evening, by coming to Lexington and putting up at the Massachusetts House.
=We are told that Mr. Butterfield, who has been cutting the ice off of Munroe's pond and elsewhere within the limits of the town, has his storehouses filled with excellent ice.
=Mrs. L. B. Hatch has made arrangements for an interesting program to be presented at the missionary concert to be held in the Baptist church, next Sunday evening, at seven o'clock. All interested are invited to attend.
=Miss Alice S. Harrington will lead the young people's meeting at the Congregational church, next Monday evening, the subject being "The continual renewal of strength." It is consecration meeting and a full attendance is desired.
=The Macedonian society meeting was postponed last Tuesday evening on account of the great interest manifested in the Baptist church and an extra meeting was held on that evening, at half-past seven o'clock, in the large vestry.
=Monday afternoon the Monday Club met with Mrs. Geo. O. Whiting and listened to an article which was highly entertaining and interesting as can be imagined from the subject, which was "La Comédie Française." The paper was prepared and read by Mrs. Theo. Robinson.
=We are told that Mrs. Champney is giving weekly talks on historical topics, before a small club organized for this purpose, which are not only very instructive but are quite as entertaining in their manner of presentation by Mrs. Champney, whose knowledge of historical matters is highly spoken of.
=There was a meeting of the Sabbath school committee of the Y. P. S. C. E., held with Mr. F. E. Tufts, superintendent of Hancock Sunday school, on Monday evening. The matter of arranging a series of monthly Sunday school concerts was talked up at this time and it was voted that concerts of this character be given the coming year.
=There was a special parish meeting at the Unitarian church on Monday evening of this week. The meeting was called especially to take action in regard to repairing the organ, which has recently got out of order. The meeting voted to make good the damaged parts of the organ. The organ was thoroughly renovated about two years ago, when it was supposed to be as good as new.
=Miss Devol's dancing school is holding its enjoyable lessons under the direction of this lady, in Town Hall, on Monday afternoons. The class is quite a large one and is enjoyed to an unusual degree by the young people, also by the their parents, who gather in quite large numbers to participate as spectators and to watch the progress of the class under their efficient and graceful instructor.
=A party of young people numbering about twenty, were conveyed to Winchester last Friday evening, by Walcott's barge, to participate in a charming private party given by a mutual friend, Miss Clara Robinson, daughter of Mr. Fred. Robinson, of Winchester, gave on this occasion a delightful "German" and all contributed to make the party one long to be remembered. The favors were dainty and the spread and other features all contributed to the pleasure of the occasion.
=Miss Brainerd, of Worcester, who has numerous classes in the study of art, in that city, has recently taken the direction of a similar class here which was organized through the efforts of Miss S. E. Robinson. The class embraces a little less than a dozen ladies, who, with the efficient aid of Miss Brainerd, are studying the great Roman artists and their works, the study being conducted in a manner to make it extremely interesting. The ladies met Tuesday morning of this week, from ten to twelve, with Mrs. F. K. Brown, on Waltham St.
=There was a meeting of the ladies' missionary societies of Hancock church Friday afternoon last. The Home Missionary Union at this time elected officers as follows:—Mrs. Redman, president; Mrs. H. W. French, vice-pres;

Mrs. O. B. Darling, sec. and treas.; Mrs. Stone, Mrs. H. E. Richardson, Miss Brooks, Miss Florence Davis, Miss Annie Adair, Mrs. Chas. Brown, managers. At the same time the officers of the Jr. Auxiliary of Foreign Missions chose their officers for the year, as follows:—Miss Emma Hamlin, president; Mrs. Geo. H. Reed, secretary and treasurer.
=A graphic account of the sleigh ride party of "The Whist Club," given in their honor by Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Turner, did not come to our hand till Monday of this week, which accounts for its non appearance among the locals of the last issue of this paper. The club was entertained by Mr. Turner's parents in Charlestown, an elegant spread furnished by a caterer being all ready for the company on their arrival. After supper a Virginia Reel was danced in the spacious parlor and the remainder of the evening was passed agreeably in the music room, around the piano.
=The men at work on the new school house commenced their labors Monday morning of this week under difficulties. The snow and rain which fell the two days previous coated the materials and the inside of the building with a thick crust which had to be removed before the operations of building could be resumed. Taking into consideration the severe weather we have had thus far this winter, remarkable progress has been made on the structure, the walls of which are now up to the second story.
=Rev. Mr. Hood preached at the Hancock Congregational church, Sunday morning, but Rev. Mr. Porter was present and conducted the devotional exercises. The service in the evening was of more than ordinary interest from the rare opportunity afforded of hearing from a recent visitor in London, an account of Gen. Booth's work as leader of the Salvation Army, in the lowest and most vicious quarters of London. The address was given by Prof. Uford, of Andover, who on this occasion was a guest of Mr. Porter.
=Those who occasionally kindly contribute news items to these columns are requested to forward them as soon as possible, either by mail or placing in the lock box in the centre station, so as to insure their insertion and relieve us of the necessity of looking up such happenings. All that happens the earlier part of the week has to be written up as soon as possible to make room for the events which usually crowd the latter part of the week and make us more than busy in their preparation for publication.
=Monday afternoon in spite of the terrible walking, the Tourist Club met with good numbers, at the residence of Mrs. Geo. H. Reed, on Monument St. A new trip was commenced at this meeting which promises to be quite as interesting as the last. The start was made at Berwick on the Tweed, the journey to be continued down the easterly section of Scotland, taking in on the route the various noted cathedrals and abbeys for which this section is noted, both in history and romance.
=Geo. F. Jackson's meat market was broken into for the second time, on Sunday night and it is evident, as at the previous attempt at robbery, that the thieves are amateurs, but well acquainted with the premises. It is not pleasant to admit that we have this class among our citizens but suspicion would point in that direction. When Homer Howard, one of the employees of the market, went to open up Monday morning he found the door unlocked, and the condition of things inside showed that the thieves had spent a busy time in trying to get possession of the contents of the money drawers. The drawer in the main room was, after other resources failed, pried open with a large butcher's cleaver which hung in a back room and which the thieves had the consideration to return to its hook when they had got through with it, showing that their acquaintance with the premises was quite minute. The money drawer in the office was easily opened, but in all only a very small amount in change was secured. An amusing attempt was made to open the safe and after these various resources had been exhausted the intruders left the premises by the back door. The only serious result was the damage to the drawers, one of which was badly broken.
=It was art day at the January meeting of the Wheaton Seminary Club, held at the Thorndike, on Saturday, and the programme was in charge of Mrs. Wm. C. Bates, of Newton. The attendance was unusually large and among the distinguished guests present were Mme. Le Plongeon, the famous traveller and explorer, and Mrs. M. A. Kidder, a member of Sorosis, New York. The papers read were by Mrs. C. O. Tucker of Newton, on "Art life at home," illustrated by work from the Cowles Art School, the Art Museum School, the Lowell School of Design; "Art life abroad," treating of Paris as an art center, and the life of students there, by Miss Susan H. Ward, and read, in her absence, by Miss Mary H. Oldfield, of Providence; and the "Vesestchagin pictures," by Miss Kate L. Edwards, of Southbridge. Some delightful piano solos were given by Miss Mar-

ian A. Fox, of Taunton, and songs by Mrs. H. L. Stebbins, of West Medford. Miss Carrie L. Blake, of Lexington, was among the members present at this meeting.
=The dance announced to be given under the auspices of the Toboggan Club, in Village Hall, Jan. 16th, has been postponed till February 5th.
=Mr. Marshall who has been for a little over a year, station agent at No. Lexington died at his home on Sunday, of pneumonia. The funeral was Tuesday, conducted by Rev. C. A. Staples of the First church.
=The landscape about the town presented a lovely appearance the first of the week, especially when the sun finally came out. All the trees and foliage were glazed with a coating of ice which made a dazzling and beautifully effective winter landscape.
=The town street scraper was out on Sunday clearing out the gutters of the main thoroughfares. The rain which followed the snow of the day before made the streets almost impassable and it was surprising that the services at the various churches were so well attended.
=Mr. Malloy gave one of his interesting "talks," before the largest audience yet held, in the parlor of the Mass. House, Wednesday afternoon. The main topic was "Wood Notes," by Emerson. Mr. Malloy introduced the great naturalist, Thoreau in his remarks and a feature of the afternoon was his definition of poetry. The speaker has a dreamy, contemplative nature, extremely sensitive to the subtle thought in literature, a characteristic which peculiarly fits him to analyze the writings of Emerson and Browning.
=The Catholic T. A. B. society, connected with St. Bridget's church, gave their annual grand ball and supper in Town Hall, Wednesday evening. The party was largely attended by the members and their friends, a number coming from Woburn and other places in this vicinity. Music was furnished by Culnane's orchestra, and a fine supper was served in the supper room over the main hall and the affair proved a success in every way. The managers were Messrs. John Hinchey, Bart. and John Kinneen, H. J. Maguire, Jas. Neville, John Devine, Geo. Harrington and Geo. Green.
=J. Howard Richardson, with two pieces from his orchestra, furnished the music at the fortnightly assemblies held in Town Hall, the last one occurring on Wednesday evening of this week. This last party was quite as successful as the preceding ones, the attendance being good and the company a specially social one. Quite a number of the ladies present honored the gathering with especially dainty and pretty toilettes which contributed greatly to the attractiveness of the scene as viewed from the balcony. The older patrons seemed to be missing on this occasion, while on the other hand many new faces were noted, some being well known Arlingtonians and others evidently guests from out of town.
=A thoroughly enjoyable entertainment was given in G. A. Hall, Wednesday evening, so exceptionally so that it should have attracted a larger audience than was present. The chief attraction was Miss Olive Hohaus, who was the original child actress in the famous play of "Little Lord Fauntleroy," which had such a remarkable run at the Boston Museum. Little Miss Hohaus recited various selections, both pathetic and comic, in an inimitable manner, and delighted those who heard her in a manner rarely equalled by any artist before a Lexington audience. Some flute solos were listened to with pleasure and Mrs. Everett Locke rendered several contralto solos, all meeting with the warm approval of the audience. The entertainment was given under the auspices of Post 119.
=The Hancock Y. P. S. C. E. held the largest and one of the most successful sociables of the season, on Wednesday evening, at the new and handsome home of their associate, Miss Lillian Norris. The spacious reception rooms afforded ample convenience for the entertainment of so large a party and the evening passed most pleasantly. An excellent entertainment was given consisting of banjo music by Bert Norris and John Prescott, and Dr. N. H. Merriam gave a reading. An appetizing supper was served at nine o'clock, after which the company listened to a violin solo by Fred Lawrence and a piano solo by Miss Ida Butters. These, with the social features, contributed to the enjoyment of all present.
=The gymnasium class under the direction of Miss Eleanor Waterman, of Boston, met on Saturday morning of last week, and Wednesday afternoon of this week in the vestry of the Unitarian church. The class numbers about twenty, composed entirely of ladies, of mixed ages. They are charmed with their instructor, who evinces ability and experience in her manner of conducting the class. This is a rare opportunity for the ladies to participate in this popular method of physical culture and development, at a price way below the most reasonable charges in a city gymnasium. To make the class a financial success to

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Miss Waterman she requires about ten more pupils and it is hoped the number may be made up so as to secure her permanent services. Miss Ida Butters is the accompanist.
=The Woman's Relief Corps held their regular meeting in G. A. R. Hall, Wednesday afternoon.
=The "tea" and entertainment to have been given at the Unitarian church, last evening was indefinitely postponed on account of the severe rain storm.
=The adjourned meeting of the Hancock Cong. parish was held Tuesday evening, the election of officers resulting as follows:—
Clerk, —W. W. Baker.
Prudential Com., —B. C. Whitcher, F. O. Vaille, E. W. Newell.
Finance Com., —Lyman Lawrence, J. L. Norris, H. A. C. Woodward.
Treas. and Col., —A. C. Stone.
Auditor, —G. H. Emery.
Music Com., —C. C. Goodwin, A. W. Newell.
Supply Com., —W. O. Arms, E. P. Nichols.
A set of resolutions were presented thanking Geo. E. Muzzey for his efficient and conscientious work as treasurer and collector during the past seventeen years which has seen a remarkable growth in this society. Mr. Muzzey declined to serve longer, other matters occupying his time. The clerk of the building committee reported progress and the society was shown to be in a prosperous condition. About \$3,150.00 was appropriated for the expenses of the current year.
=The Lexington Club celebrated their annual meeting with a dinner at the Massachusetts House, on Saturday evening of last week. The club met at an early hour in the evening in the parlor of the hotel and held a business meeting, at the same time electing the officers of the club for the coming year. Business being disposed of the gentlemen present devoted the remainder of the evening to the social pleasures which made the occasion an eventful one for the club. About eight o'clock dinner was announced and the company were soon seated at a hand somely spread table and proceeded to test the excellence of the menu furnished. The dinner served by mine host Carter, is referred to by those present to enjoy it, as highly gratifying, and it would seem that this house was winning quite a reputation for itself in this direction, by its recent catering for parties. The participants present were J. A. Spare, Zenas Sears, Jr., H. H. Wiggan, F. F. Sherburne, of Boston; F. G. Davis, G. H. Brown, H. M. Sabin, L. E. Bennick, J. F. Russell, H. G. Locke, F. K. Brown, A. Griffiths, C. B. Davis, S. V. Lord, Dr. J. O. Tilton, J. F. Turner, W. W. Reed, C. E. Dale, G. C. Goodwin, Frank Brown, Everett Mulliken, E. K. Houghton, all of Lexington; Lincoln Houghton, of Concord. After the bounties and delicacies of the table had exhausted their appetites the company adjourned to the main hall and gathered around the piano, the remainder of the evening being passed with music and a social time generally. The following is the list of officers elected for the ensuing term:—
President, Chas. E. Dale; vice-pres., H. G. Locke; sec., E. M. Mulliken; treas., F. F. Sherburne; auditor, W. W. Reed; investment committee, J. F. Turner, S. V. Lord, F. F. Sherburne.
=We had three days of fine sleighing this week which were worked for all they were worth by parties who enjoy this kind of sport and entertainment. On the evenings of Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the Massachusetts House was called on to furnish entertainment for large numbers of these parties from almost every town within ten miles of us.
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Contentment knocked at a poet's heart;
The poet gave an impatient start
To see such a stranger there.
Infinite longings, beautiful dreams,
Wonderful thoughts on numberless themes,
Metaphors rich and rare,
Sensitive sentiments morbidly sad,
Exquisite raptures, hopes half mad,—
For these there was plenty of room to
spare,
But none for Contentment anywhere.
She next approached a philosopher's soul;
The sage put down some mythical scroll
And a vexed look crossed his face.
Whether the will is bound or free,
Whether there was an eternity,
Whether all matter and space
Only exist as part of the mind—
These and more of a similar kind,
Were secrets long he had sought to trace;
Till found, Contentment could have no
place.

She went to the house of a millionaire,
But the poor rich man was full of care
And begged of her not to stay.
One who had only lived for fame,
Sighing at last for a loftier aim,
Told her to go away.
Those who had most of wealth and ease
Always appeared the hardest to please;
And even the people who seemed most gay
Asked her to call another day.
At length she entered a peasant's breast;
The poor man gladly received his guest,
As an angel passing by.
Proud of his garden, pleased with his cot,
Plain though his fare and humble his lot,
Gratitude beamed from his eye.
Peacefully here she hoped to remain;
But soon she heard the peasant complain
Of some small trouble—and then with a
sigh
Contentment left earth and flew to the sky.

A Mining Camp Incident.

Royal Maywood had a strange, eventful career. Philadelphia was his birthplace, and in 1850, at the age of 20, he left home for California. His life henceforth was associated with all that was wild and curious in the society of the early miners.

In 1852 the mining camps on the Sacramento were filled with lawless characters, and Maywood organized and headed the first vigilance committee on the coast. He was elected sheriff of Calaveras county, and was the principal actor in the trial of Tom Brannon, a curious episode in the early history of California.

In 1854 Maywood and a party of friends were prospecting in a gulch running down to the Sacramento River and made a rich find. In two weeks a camp was organized with some 400 miners, and the gulch for twenty miles laid off in claims. Among the new comers was an Irishman named Tom Brannon, and with him a wife—the first woman that had come to any camp east of San Francisco. The couple were made welcome, and all hands went to work and built them a log house.

Brannon opened a saloon and prospered. He was a jovial landlord, whose custom it was to give every one of his patrons his morning cocktail for nothing, and he became quite popular. His wife had but little to say, and his dress is different. The majority thought Peck was wrong. Maywood and his posse examined the ground. The tracks showed that it was the left foot that lacked the toes—and a strip of red woollen, evidently part of a shawl, was found clinging to a bush. All signs ceased when they reached the road. While looking around a horse's gallop was heard, and in a few minutes Dr. Heilbrun rode up.

"Why, doctor, we were just trailing your murderers," said one of the startled men, and they told him their story.

"My God! It is my brother they have killed. He crossed the range yesterday and found his way to my cabin, while I have been to the Sacramento road to meet him. We both look alike, but he is taller than I."

It was at once resolved to say nothing, so as to throw the murderers off their guard. Next day was devoted to a still hunt and examination of all the hard characters about the camp, but it was known that her temper was awful and she drank much.

Some of the men speedily accumulated little fortunes in dust—a Scotchman named Moffit had made up his mind to start for the coast with his pile, valued at \$10,000. The day before he was to leave a hunter found his dead body not 400 yards away from his cabin, and his dust was gone. There was terrible excitement; a murderer in camp, and no one safe.

One morning, about three weeks later, a man came to the camp and announced that Dr. Heilbrun was missing and that there were blood stains on his cabin floor. The doctor was a learned German of middle age, who was not only the sole physician within a hundred miles, but a skilled assayer and a man of good character and much respected.

Maywood was asked to take charge of the case. He chose a shrewd Yankee named Peck, brother of the now Governor of Wisconsin, and an old

mountain hunter named Myers, who had a Ute Indian follower. At the Doctor's cabin they found that a body had been dragged out through the door, as there was blood on the threshold. Inside there was every evidence of robbery having been committed.

Myers and his Indian quickly struck the trail. The broken brush showed where the body had been dragged, and the Ute pointed out, on a bank of clay, the tracks of two persons. Then a discovery was made. Myers measured the tracks and said: "Look ye, men, one of the fellows has no toes on one foot." They pushed ahead and found the body in a sinkhole, covered by a large rock which had been rolled on it.

The body was brought to the surface. It was crushed and mangled beyond recognition. Peck at once started the others by saying: "That isn't the doctor—it is a taller man—but no conclusion was reached, and about nightfall the three whites rode off to Brannon's saloon to get a drink. As they got there a door opened and a man was violently ejected. Brannon followed him, kicking and beating him.

He was a little Englishman named Jackson. He was beside himself with rage, and yelled out that he would let the people know what Brannon was—"an escaped convict and murderer, and his wife no better."

"Hold on, Jackson, what is the matter?" said Maywood.

"Mr. Maywood, you are a gentleman, and I can talk to you. I will get even with Tom Brannon. He escaped from the chain-gang at Habbartown, and he has been in more than one murder. He was one of O'Donahue's bushrangers, and got his toes shot off when the police broke up the gang."

"Toes shot off, indeed! which foot?"

"The left, don't you see how he limps, and his woman is a fiend."

The three men walked into the saloon. Brannon received them with his usual civility.

"Well, Tom, how's your wife? Can she sew this strap for me?" said Maywood.

"Well, she's under the influence, but she'll be proud to serve you, sir," answered Brannon.

The party pushed by him into the back room, and there sat a woman, very drunk. A red shawl was tied around her shoulders, and in a moment Maywood fitted his piece to the torn end.

"Brannon, we want you," said Maywood, "for murder." Tom made an attempt to draw his knife, but was seized and tied. In twenty minutes there were 100 men on the ground. Dr. Heilbrun was sent for and the house searched.

The murdered man's watch and a heavy gold ring were found, and a pair of silver-mounted Derringers known to belong to Moffit. A jury was chosen and hardly had they taken their seats in the barroom when further investigation was made unnecessary, for the woman, with a volley of oaths, declared she would tell the whole story.

She had assisted her husband in carrying the body of Heilbrun away, and she also got Moffit out of his cabin by a pretence. He was struck down by the husband.

No time was lost, a rope was made fast to a pine tree limb in front of the tavern door, and Brannon, cursing his wife, was placed on a horse, the loop fastened around his neck, the horse started, and the murderer's life ended. The tavern and goods were put up at auction and brought \$1200. With this, and mounted on a mule, the wife started over the range and was never heard of again.

After many adventures Maywood went to Mexico, and was in the mining boom there and made a large fortune, which he augmented by marrying a niece of President Diaz. For the last four years he lived in Paris.—[Philadelphia Times.

Couldn't Help Himself.
The two men had talked for a time on the train.

"Are you going to hear Barkins lecture tonight?" said one.

"Yes," returned the other.

"Take my advice and don't. I hear it's an awful bore."

"I must go," said the other. "I'm Barkins."—[New York Sun.

Everything Has Its Uses.
"Gracious, Miss Bickton," exclaimed young Spriggins, who is alingerer, "I hope you won't cough again in that way. You made me start."

"Perhaps," she murmured, "I may be convinced that even coughs were not made in vain."—[Washington Post.

LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

A SLOT MACHINE AT A GERMAN.

At an elegant private German given in a town near Boston, the other night, the men went up to a slot machine, put a nickel supplied by the hostess, and received forthwith a dainty roll of chocolate with the name of his partner on the wrapper. Now that slot machines have made their debut into society, we may expect to be introduced in one way and another to the various eccentric members of the family.—[Chicago Herald.

A RUSSIAN LADY ENGINEER.

A lady engineer has arrived in St. Petersburg, Russia, from Vladikavkas to view the factories of the great capital. In 1883 she built in her native city an iron and brass foundry and a steam wood sawing and planing mill, and she has conducted these institutions up to the present time without any assistance and with great success. To her also belongs the credit of having introduced among the peasants of the Terzky districts modern agricultural machines.—[New York Sun.

MME. BARRIOS SETS A FASHION.

There is now in New York the widow of President Barrios of Guatemala, who is said to have molded with her own hands the bullets with which her husband made his fight for liberty. Perhaps it is because these palms are pretty as well as famous that she has revived the old fashion of a ribbon guard for a fine diamond ring. At all events the narrow velvet bands crossing the blue-veined beauty of the hand and bound about the wrist enhance its delicacy, as guests at a recent reception had abundant chance of observing.—[Chicago Post.

HOW TO HOLD THE HEAD WELL.

Ruth Ashmore, in her "Side Talks with Girls," says: "If you want to hold your head well, get in the habit of walking about with a book—not too heavy a one—just on top of it, and you will be amazed to find how that slight incentive will cause you to hold yourself straight and to make you walk in a less jerky manner. Down in New Orleans the colored mamies used to make their little charges walk with a light-weight bowl filled with water on their heads until they carried themselves so easily that not a drop of water would spill, and that is one reason why so many of the New Orleans women walk so well."

FIRST EMPLOYED FEMALE CLERKS.

It is proposed to erect a monument to the memory of the late General F. E. Spinner, the contributions for the purpose to be made by the female clerks in the departments at Washington.

It was General Spinner who first advocated the appointment of women to clerical places under the Government, and during his long residence at Washington he urged employment in that way for hundreds of widows with families to support.

The department forces at Washington are now largely made up of women, and by small subscriptions from each clerk a large sum of money can be raised.

The movement may end in the erection of a statue to General Spinner at the north front of the Treasury Department.—[New York World.

GLASS BOXES.

Very dainty and pretty are the glass boxes for jewelry, gloves and handkerchiefs. They are easily made, requiring only neatness in making to make them well. Cut a paper pattern the shape and size of the box you wish to make—triangular, square or oblong—to take to the glazier's, who cuts them from common, white glass.

A pretty size for a jewel case is a triangle measuring six inches on each side, top and bottom alike. The three pieces for the sides are six inches long and two inches deep. Take one-inch wide ribbon and paste or glue on to the glass very neatly, holding the ribbon very tightly and turning over very carefully. When all the pieces are bound, fasten them together with a few stitches at the corners, leaving the lid open at one point. Put bows on each corner, and cover a thin piece of scented wadding with satin for an inside cushion, simply laying inside the box. Painting the top with a small spray of flowers, or a group of birds or butterflies, has a very pretty effect.—[Ladies' Home Companion.

TRAINING OF GERMAN GIRLS.

Frau Sophie Salvanus has written a treatise, making a forcible appeal to German women to resist the tendency of woman's education to treat girls exclusively as future housekeepers and mothers. The writer argues that this is an injustice, since no one thinks

of educating boys simply to be future householders and fathers. She insists that the present system of educating women results in cramping woman's individuality and in lowering the ideal of life. It seems that even the domestic, home-loving woman is beginning to realize that there is something else in store for her than to be some German farmer's faithful, toiling wife and nothing more, with no hope of independence or being enabled to take care of herself. The German girls are trained to be good housewives, and their thrift, economy and domestic management are held up as examples worthy of following. But outside of home duties they are not fitted to take their place in the world in a struggle for bread and butter, and the energetic frau would have their school instructions to include a practical preparation for other branches.—[New York Star.

FASHION NOTES.

Hats are of many and diverse forms.

Slippers should match the color of the evening dress.

White cloth is the feminine fancy for wedding gowns.

The most fashionable of all the jewels used for trimming is the opal.

The Russian blouse, belted in at the waist, is much worn now by children.

Linen should never be put away damp, for it is almost certain to mildew.

Little girls have the choice between a wide brimmed felt hat trimmed with feathers and the large English bonnet.

Chenille is to be restored to favor for dress trimmings, and manufacturers have made it less fragile than formerly.

Four and six button gloves are in favor for street wear. The one and two button lengths have not become popular.

A beautiful novelty is a brooch on which are five semi-transparent, white grapes upon a shallow bar set with diamonds.

The fashion for doing without the foundation skirt in heavy cloth dresses is on the increase, and is a very sensible change.

A beautiful new material for evening gowns is a black net, liberally embroidered and fringed with turquoise, steel and jet.

Velvet ribbons—narrow ones tied under the chin or hanging down the back in floating streamers—are worn by young girls.

Carved leather work is now used in frames for screens, the leather being softened by a special process, and tooled by hand.

Prayer books cased in silver covers artistically wrought are carried at the wedding by the bride, in place of the time-honored bouquet.

The long mantles are mostly circular in form, but both they and the paletots depend for the effect on their elaborate trimming, which is a particular feature of this season's productions.

Most of the paletots are made three-quarter length, with high collars and full high sleeves. Some, however, are long and close fitting, composed of some rich material, such as embossed velvet, plush, or brocaded silk, with sleeves of a different material.

Slighted.

It is hard for us, whether we are old or young, to see our best efforts pass unappreciated: and what older people feel, younger people say.

Little Mary, who is only four years old, had a new hat given to her, of which she felt very proud. On the following Sunday she wore it to church, but her pleasure in the event was greatly lessened by the fact that a certain lad, on whom her childish affections were just then set, appeared not to notice her splendid adornment.

Monday morning she saw him going by the house, driving a cow, and at once she clambered upon the fence.

"Oh, Ed," she called, "that was me to church yesterday, with a new hat on."

A California Opera Chorus.

General Vallejo's readiness of apt anecdote was always remarkable. Patti once dined with him, and asked the old soldier if he enjoyed the first opera he ever heard.

"Why, no," said Vallejo; "and yet I confess I shall never forget it."

This reply aroused Patti's curiosity, and she demanded when and where the event took place.

"In 1828, on the site of the Palace Hotel, San Francisco."

"Indeed! And who was the prima donna so long ago as that?"

"Well, I can't say," was the smiling answer; "but there were at least five hundred coyotes in the chorus."—[Century.

FOR THE HOUSEWIFE.

A SAFE WAY TO BATHE A DELICATE BABY.

Some one suggests that a very good way to give a bath to a delicate infant is to lay a small blanket in the bottom of the bath, and wrap it around the child before lifting him out of the warm water. In this way he can feel no chill whatever from the outside air. The nurse should have on a large towel, wet blanket and all. The head can then be dried and the upper extremities, keeping him well wrapped up all the time. Put on a warm skirt, slip off the wet apron and wrap the little one in a warm, big Turkish towel and dry, and rub him thoroughly.—[Brooklyn Citizen.

FOOD Dainties FOR INVALIDS.

Boiled bacon, dusted slightly with cayenne pepper, will often tempt a sick person to eat, when nothing else will. The old prejudice against it is dying out, as physicians say that bacon, well cooked, is an easily digested form of fat. When buying canned tomatoes to make dishes for the sick, be sure and get the best. Most sick persons will relish tomatoes, especially when nicely served on toast. Soups made with cream or milk are generally said to be best for invalids. Sometimes salt fish will be relished by an invalid, if very carefully prepared as follows: Pick a small piece of the thickest part of salt fish into long flakes. If very salt soak a few minutes in cold water. Brown over hot coals. Spread with butter and serve hot. Smoked salmon or halibut may be prepared in the same manner. But, whatever you prepare for the sick room, be sure that the tray is covered with the whitest of napkins, and that the dishes are pretty and neatly arranged. Nothing, however, is so consoling in a sick room as cleanliness. Have everything spotless, clean and neat.—[New York News.

HOW TO BAKE MEAT.

The most perfectly baked meats are cooked as follows: Heat the baking-pan on the top of the stove until smoking hot; lay the roast on it and let the cut surface sear and slightly brown; turn, and sear and brown the other side also. Put in a hot oven and baste only with its own gravy. Salt toughens the meat and has a tendency to extract the juices, and should not be added until just before the meat is done. If the temperature of the oven is just right, when the oven door is opened a gentle simmering and sputtering will go on; if it is too hot the drippings will burn and the oven will be filled with smoke. An even, steady heat must be maintained to bake a piece of meat properly.

The best ribs of beef are the third and fourth for a roast from seven to nine pounds, and the third, fourth and fifth for a larger roast. Never have the bone taken out and the meat rolled; the meat loses in sweetness. Let your butcher saw across the under part of the ribs in one or two places, so that after the meat has been seared on the cut sides it can stand in the pan, with the rim of fat upward. The searing process hardens the outside and thus retains the juices.—[American Agriculturist.

RECIPES.

Cream Pie.—Beat the whites of four eggs until they will remain on an inverted spoon, then add four tablespoonfuls of white sugar. Beat all together in a basin or dish holding a quart; fill the dish with cream, or very rich milk if you have no cream, and flavor with lemon, vanilla, or any extract you prefer to use. Bake with one crust.

Black Pudding.—Use for this one cupful of warm water, one cupful of molasses, and a half cupful of stoned raisins, one teaspoonful of soda, two and one half cupfuls of flour. Mix all the ingredients together and boil in a pudding-bag. Add a little more flour if the pudding seems too thin as you put in the bag. Boil it three hours.

Potato Soup.—Peel three medium sized potatoes and boil them until they can be pressed through a colander, then stir in one cup of cream or rich milk and return to the water the potatoes were boiled in. Beat an egg and stir it into a pint of flour; then sprinkle this into the boiling soup. Add butter, salt and pepper to taste and let the small egg dumplings boil about fifteen minutes, then serve very hot.

Go West.

Mother—Now that you have become a chiroprapist, where are you going to settle?

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Dark, dark, all dark;
For me there is no spark,
No ray of light upon my lonely way;
But I must all my life go stumbling, groping,
feeling,
Always striving, but never reaching the mark—
For all is dark.

Past, past, long past;
And yet it seems but yesterday that I saw last.
Why am I cursed with eyes that cannot see,
Why must I grope and stumble, who was ever
free

To wander where I would, with head erect
And steps as light as any? Why did it affect
Me, and none else but me?
And now I wander lonely, and no helping hand
Is stretched to guide me to that far off land,
Where, after striving, I shall see at last—
Is in long past.

Light, longest for light;
What is it makes the dreary way so bright?
It is, that through the past, and through the
dark,
While I was struggling like a weary bark
Tossing for ever on an angry sea,
A voice, a loving voice, said unto me—
"I help thee, little pilgrim of the night;
Mine is the hand unstretched to aid thy sight.
I saw thee wandering in this world plight,
I saw thee struggling in the weary light,
I care for, watch over, help and lead thee right,
I give thee light."

What care I now for all the weary past—
No longer thirst, but content at last!
Thy love has made the darkest pathway
bright
And all is light.

—Good Night, sleeping.

A Boy's Temper.

A boy is none the worse for possessing a little swag and self assertiveness, and any attempt on the part of parents to break his temper is a step in the wrong direction. It was said of the mother of the Wesley's that she tried to crush the self will of her son John, yet any one who knows anything of the history of John Wesley is ready to admit that he was one of the most stubborn of men when once his opinion was formed upon a subject. Properly developed a boy's self confidence may blossom into a noble decision of character, which will be of infinite service to him in the struggle of life. In these days of keen competition, when every year makes the world's prizes harder to get, the victors are rewarded of life are for those who, by indomitable pluck and energy, are able to grasp and retain their own.

The child who grows to manhood with a broken spirit must inevitably go to the wall. I do not say that a boy must be allowed all his own way, and have the privilege of riding rough shod over the household rules and usages, or that his tendency to overbearing and rudeness should be encouraged. By all means give him a taste of the birch when the power of persuasion fails to bring him to reason. Let him know that he is under government; that he has a place in the home where he will find a welcome and shelter as long as the old nest remains; that his boyish exuberances and frolicsomeness will, to an extent, be tolerated; but so far and no farther must he go without experiencing the weight of parental displeasure.—Hall's Journal of Health.

Severe but Successful.

I remember being called to a case of landanum poisoning, when after failing to produce vomiting in every other way, the following method was successful: A long whalebone was procured; around one end of it a rag was wound, and a string two feet long fastened thoroughly to the rag. The rag was then pushed gently down the oesophagus into the stomach, and then the whalebone was withdrawn, leaving the string extending from the mouth; a gentle jerking of the string a few times secured the necessary irritation and contraction brought up the mixture of landanum, the strong coffee that had been given as an antidote to the landanum, the mustard and other portions that had failed to provoke the vomiting, and of course the woman recovered in due time.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Success Due to Good Writing.

It is a singular fact that the famous French dramatist, Sardou, owed his first success on the boards to his excellent handwriting. He had sent in his often rejected play, "La Taverne des Etudiants," to the Odeon management for consideration, and the manuscript was thrown with some fifty others upon a table. One day at rehearsal the charming actress, Mlle. Berengere, was attracted by the handwriting, and took up the manuscript, crying, "Oh, what an exquisite hand!" She read the play, and recommended it so strongly to the directors that they were induced to read it, and then accept it. At the time Sardou—now one of the richest literary men in Europe—was starving. He had gone through seven long years of terrible hardship and privation.—London Tit-Bits.

A Machine to Scale Fish.

A. C. Ware, of Brunswick, has invented a fish cleaner. He says the smallest or the largest fish can be scaled rapidly by the use of the machine. It consists of two prongs and hooks, almost like a pair of fire tongs, only the edges of the prongs are rough and are slightly curved forward. One end of the machine is fastened to a table, while the two prongs are clapped around the fish, and it is shoved through the rough edged knives, taking off every scale.—Savannah News.

Poisonous Effect of Coffee.

Dr. Edward Smith, of England, made a decoction of four ounces of coffee which he and his assistant drank together. In fifteen minutes they fell upon the floor unconscious and remained so for thirty minutes. Probably if either had had constitutional weakness of the heart the dose would have been fatal.—Exchange.

Two Prescriptions.

A correspondent asks for a reliable remedy for blind staggers. In the case of a horse bleed the animal in the roof of the mouth; in the case of a man confine the patient to a simple diet and the use of water.—Detroit Free Press.

A little girl who had been told that she might take her choice between being spanked and going to bed in the daytime replied, "Bedness is awful, but spanking is worse."

Culture by Electric Light.

In the botanical department of Cornell university there have recently been made some very curious experiments in the cultivation of plants under electric light. A number of flowers and vegetables have been placed where the rays of powerful electric lamps fall upon them night and day, and their growth is compared with that of others of their own species planted at the same time and under similar conditions except in the matter of light.

The first and most noticeable effect of this treatment is an enormously increased rate of growth. The plants which are lighted seem to work day and night, and to become especially luxuriant in foliage.

The vegetables shoot forward with great quickness, peas, for instance, which become in a few weeks two or three times as tall as their brethren living by common daylight; and the same thing is true of all the plants.

When it came to seeds or fruit of any sort, the matter was entirely different. Here the plants which had grown slowly and by daylight were ahead. It is true that the pea which grew by electric light came to bearing much sooner than the other, but its hastily made pods had very few peas, often only one, and those of an inferior quality.

In every instance the reproductive powers of the plant seemed to have been most strongly affected, being sacrificed to mere foliage and rapidity of increase in general size.—Youth's Companion.

Dyspeptics Take Note.

Dyspeptics will do well to observe the following general rules: Live on two meals a day if possible. Never eat to excess. Estimate as nearly as you can the actual needs of the system, and limit the quantity of food to them, remembering that one grows weak if he eats too much. Eat slowly and masticate all food even longer and more thoroughly than a healthy person. Careful of his digestion would do. Quite dry foods, as a rule, are best suited to dyspeptics, who should drink sparingly with their meals. Some can take ice water in very small quantities without being disturbed by it, but generally it retards digestion. And the same is true of all cold drinks.

Warm ones suit most dyspeptics best, and a very little weak tea, if properly made, is not at all likely to do any harm. The food should be neither very hot nor very cold. Properly, it should be about "blood warm." Every one knows from experience just what foods distress them, and what are well borne; of course, the former should be excluded from the diet.—Boston Herald.

Go where you will, you will find people using Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, and unanimous in its praise.

I suffered most severely from rheumatism during the winter. After using Salvation Oil two days the pain entirely subsided, and now I am a well man.

EAST LEXINGTON LOCALS.

It is rarely that nature presents such untold beauties as she has for several days the past week. We frequently have ice storms of short duration, but seldom is the eye feasted so long with such brilliancy. The glittering ices hung heavily on the trees, and the earth was carpeted with a hard white frosting, so that when the sun shone one could see almost all the prismatic colors. But amid this splendor there were many who suffered discomfort.

Good comes out of evil, for burglars could not very well make us a visit because every step on the coating of sleet sounded like a troop of armed men.

Circulars say a grand fair comes off at Village Hall, in aid of Follen church, Jan. 28 and 29, the gentlemen having the matter in charge. We have not been requested to report it officially, and can account for this very satisfactorily, as we do not come within the charmed circle holding the reins.

The entertainment for the first evening of the fair, Jan. 28, will be under the supervision of Mr. Carlton Childs assisted by Mr. Norton Paine. It will be "Dinah Snowflake's Party." All who attend will be amply compensated. "Laugh and grow fat" when you can is advice well to follow, amid the perplexities and troubles to which flesh is heir to.

The number was not legion that attended church last Sabbath. Rev. Mr. Seast preached a very interesting sermon and the regret was that so few could have heard it. The text was John 1:9; "That was the true light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world."

Owing to the unpleasant weather there was a small attendance at the meeting Sunday afternoon, by the young people. Mr. Duncan McLaughlin conducted the services. The subject was, "God so loved the world."

Little baby King was buried this week, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. James King.

Plenty of out door fun this winter—skating to-day and fine coasting and tobogganing to-morrow.

This has been a winter long to be remembered for its cold, healthy weather.

The Euchre Club met this week at Arthur Jewett's.

The young people's meeting will be held at the usual hour Sunday afternoon. The service will be conducted by Christopher Hamlin, the topic being "The fountain of life," John 4:14.

Died in East Lexington, Jan. 18th, Dr. Parker Kenison, aged 65 years, 3 months. Dr. Kenison was born in Bow, N. H., and was the son of Benjamin and Hannah Kenison. He came to Boston when he was 21 years of age and went into business with his cousin N. Kenison, in 1850, their office being in the little old wooden building on Washington St., opposite Milk St. In 1860 the firm

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dissolved, Dr. Kenison taking an office on Washington St., opposite Franklin, afterwards on Tremont and later in Temple place, and still later on Winter street. He has always been a chiropractor. Ten years ago he purchased the farm on Maple street near Pierce's bridge, where he has made great improvements and bought additional real estate. He was a man well known in Boston and vicinity, and since he became a resident of East Lexington he has won the respect and confidence of the citizens. He was straightforward in all his business transactions, and despised double dealing in any one. He was very liberal, always ready to aid the church, the unfortunate, and any object which promoted the interest of the town. He sounded no trumpet, nor even let his right hand know what his left hand did. It could be truly said of him, he was the good citizen, the kind neighbor and friend and our village has suffered a great loss in the death of Dr. Kenison. He had never known a sick day until he was attacked with la grippe, last spring, and has never recovered from the effects of it. After a long illness he has laid aside the mortal and put on the immortal, but his good deeds will long live in the memory of a large circle of friends. His funeral occurred to-day (Friday afternoon), at his late residence. Rev. Mr. Thompson officiated. The remains were placed in the receiving tomb, but will be buried at Bow, N. H., in the spring. He leaves one brother, Mr. Charles Kenison, of Waterville, Me. (master car builder), who has the sympathy of the community in his bereavement and also the true friend who has so gently and patiently ministered to him during these long months of sickness.

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1 Kings xviii, 21—Commentary by Rev.
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25. "And Elijah said unto the prophets of Baal, Choose you one bullock for yourselves, and dress it first, for ye are many, and call on the name of your God, but put no fire under."

At Cherith (ditching) and Zarephath (refining) Elijah had been cut off from all human resources, and refined in the school of poverty and close communion with God, and thus qualified for the contest now before him. He who had been so much alone with God had no fear of King Ahab nor of the hundreds of prophets of Baal.

26. "Oh, Baal, hear us." But there was no voice nor answer that answered.

Baal signifies lord or master, and is found in Num. xxii, 41, as the god of the Moabites. Israel worshiped Baal-peor, and 24,000 were slain by a plague (Num. xxv, 3, 9). In the days of the Judges they again and again forsook the Lord and worshiped Baal (Judg. ii, 11, 13, iii, 7, vi, 31, vii, 33, x, 6, 10); but this King Ahab had led them more astray than they had ever been before (1 Kings xvi, 30-33).

27. "And it came to pass that at noon Elijah mocked them and said, Cry aloud, for he is a God."

28. "And they cried aloud, and cut themselves, after their manner * * * till the blood gushed out upon them."

Fancy hundreds of men leaping up and down (verse 26, margin), and shouting and cutting their bodies till the blood streamed from them, and all to make the god whom they worshiped hear them. Central Africa could not produce anything worse.

29. "There was neither voice nor any to answer, nor any that regarded."

30. "And Elijah said unto all the people, Come near unto me. And all the people came near unto him."

In calmness he had waited, his soul doubtless communing with his God, but now the decisive moment had come; 450 men had failed—what could this one man do? He was one of those of whom it is written, "One shall chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight."

31. "And he repaired the altar of the Lord that was broken down."

One of the first acts of Noah on leaving the ark was to build an altar unto the Lord, and so also did Abraham when he entered the land of Canaan (Gen. viii, 20; xii, 8). From the days of Adam and Abel the altar and the sacrifice were typical of Him who was to come as the great sin-bearer.

32. "And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob."

See twelve stones in the same connection in Ex. xxiv, 4; xxviii, 21; Josh. iv, 3, 8, 9, 20. Although the twelve tribes were divided into ten and two, making two nations, yet they were only one nation before God, and He has ever before Him the time when they shall be reunited under one king (Ezek. xxxvii, 21, 22). All Israel had at this time become idolaters, and hence the necessity of a testimony to the twelve tribes concerning the true God.

33. "And with the stones he built an altar in the name of the Lord."

34. "And he put the wood in order, and cut the bullock in pieces, and laid him on the wood."

A bullock was used both as a sin offering and as a burnt offering (Lev. i and iv), and in these chapters full instructions are found as to the manner of offering. The sin offering was a type of Christ bearing our sins; the burnt offering was a type of Christ offering himself without spot to God.

35. "The water ran round about the altar, and he filled the trench also with water."

Once, twice, thrice was the sacrifice, and the wood and the altar drenched with water. There was to be no deception here, no fire hidden somewhere about, which might be secretly used.

36. "Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel and that I am thy servant."

By this title God revealed Himself to Moses at the burning bush and said, "This is my name forever, and this is my memorial unto all generations" (Ex. iii, 15, 16). Observe that the prophet's whole aim is that God may be magnified.

37. "And that I have done all these things at thy word."

Then the altar and sacrifice and wood and water and answer by fire were no mere thoughts of Elijah, but simple commands of God which he had only to obey, trusting God for all results.

38. "Hear me, O Lord, hear me; that this people may know that Thou art the Lord God, and that Thou hast turned their heart back again."

"If we know that He hears us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him" (1 John v, 15). So that Elijah's one desire now was for God to hear him. "And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us" (1 John v, 14). Elijah having done just what God told him, must then have had the assurance in his heart that God heard him.

39. "Then the fire of the Lord fell." Picture to yourself the multitude gazing on this lone man as he stands calmly before them beside his drenched and dripping altar and sacrifice and trench full of water, conscious of the presence and favor of the Lord God of Israel. He does not cry aloud nor leap up and down, but quietly looks up to heaven, and with his whole heart utters these few words (just thirty-four in the Hebrew) unto his God in the hearing of all the people.

"And consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench."

Just as at the dedication of the tabernacle, and the temple, and the offerings of Gideon and David, supernatural fire consumed the sacrifice (Lev. ix, 24; II Chron. vii, 1; Judg. vi, 21; I Chron. xxi, 26), so it happened now. I have no doubt but the offering of Abel was accepted in the same way. But notice how this fire acts; it does not go from earth upward, but coming from heaven takes the nearest first, the sacrifice, then the wood and so on to the very water in the trench.

40. "And when all the people saw it they fell on their faces. And they said, The Lord He is the God; the Lord He is the God."

So well they might, for the God of Moses and Aaron, of Gideon and David and Solomon, God, who is a consuming fire (Deut. iv, 24; Ex. iii, 2), had again declared Himself by the undimmed but awful sign, telling them of the wrath that would fall on them unless they came to Him in true penitence and by way of true sacrifice, as He had appointed.

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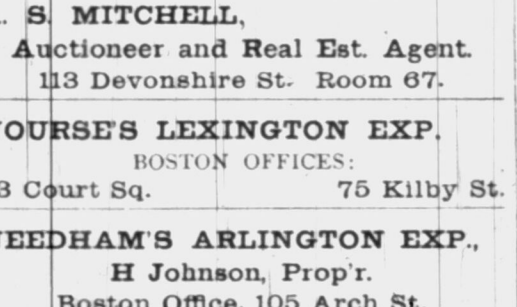
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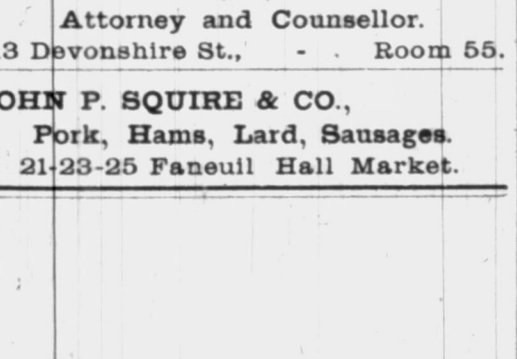
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